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Peanuts, Crackerjacks and Avocado Fries

Thoughts on...

By Dick Morgado

Spring is here! Winter has departed, the daffodils are in bloom and the Red Sox are on their way to a World Series victory. Hope springs eternal.

It's true that baseball is not as popular as it once was, surpassed by football, basketball, soccer and, of course, pickleball. Even so, despite the cold, some 37,300 people played hooky from school and work to attend Opening Day.

My first visit to Fenway Park was with my Little League team. The three-hour bus trip - there were no highways back in prehistoric times - was an adventure itself for a little kid who had never been more than seven miles from home.

Seeing the city and arriving at the old ballpark was amazing. Exiting the dark bowels of the stadium, walking up the ramp into the bright sunlight to a real field of dreams, was like seeing the Emerald City of Oz, a fantasy awash in green. What 11-year-old didn't dream of hitting the winning homerun over the Green Monster. The place was spectacular.

I didn't attend another game until after college. But I did experience the 1967 World Series ... kind of. I lived on Jersey Street, a homerun away from the ballpark. Not being able to afford tickets, my buddies and me set up shop in my living room/bedroom/kitchen. (It was actually a one-room apartment I shared with a family of cockroaches who also loved baseball.) We acquired a keg of beer, opened all the windows, and watched every game on my 14-inch, black-and-white Admiral TV. The crowd's cheers waffled into the room, mingling with our whoops, hollers and boos. The neighbors didn't mind because they, too, had their windows open to the din.

After college and employed, I got married and brought my bride to a game on our honeymoon. We sat in the bleachers - tickets cost a dollar each - and became nauseated at the smell of marijuana.

Today tickets to a game can cost a fortune. Tickets to a World Series game requires "knowing someone." I knew someone. I attended two 1975 series games thanks to the generosity of my bride's uncle and the American League. Good old Uncle Arthur once owned a minor-league team affiliated with the American League. Former Red Sox star Jimmie Piersall was his manager.

Every major-league team gets an allotment of tickets for players, most of whom never use them. Each morning they are available at the league hotel for the taking by those who know. Uncle Arthur knew. Once in baseball, always in baseball. He'd gather a dozen ducats that he'd share with the family. If you love baseball, it sure pays to marry someone with wealthy relatives.

Forget peanuts and Crackerjacks, Fenway has become a foodie's paradise. This year's offerings include crab-cake sandwiches, caramel Stroopwafels ... whatever those are ... and avocado fries. Also: Coke-infused, sweet onions (hopefully that refers to Cola Cola) and assorted Asian and vegan delights. You can wash it all down with a Dogfish Head lager. No need to bring your wallet, the place is cashless now. You must pay by app or with a credit card. No kidding!

On the Cover: *Families crowded Ned's Point on Saturday morning for photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny and to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt. The free event for children up to age 11 was organized by the Mattapoisett Lions Club. Photo by Mick Colageo*

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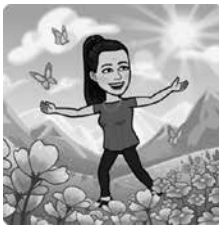

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In addition to the usual T-shirts and Boston Strong bucket hats, they'll also be offering Indiana Jones bobbleheads ... heard he was a big baseball fan. They'll be giving away jerseys with Red Sox written in Hebrew. Really. And Alex Verdugo "Grills," which I believe are imitation, diamond braces for your teeth. You can't make this up.

So put down the pickleball racket and get yourself to Fenway Park. Baseball season has begun. Play Ball!

Editor's note: Mattapoisett resident Dick Morgado is an artist and retired newspaper columnist whose musings are, after some years, back in The Wanderer under the subtitle "Thoughts on …." Morgado's opinions have also appeared for many years in daily newspapers around Boston.

Correction

Due to a reporting error, The Wanderer's April 6 article "Races Set for 2023 Elections" stated that Mattapoisett Town Clerk Catherine Heuberger did not return nomination papers ahead of the deadline to run for Select Board. Heuberger returned papers on March 28, ahead of the deadline, and is running for the seat.

Town Clerk Running for Select Board

By Mick Colageo

Born and raised in Mattapoisett, Catherine Heuberger says she has thought for "quite some time" about running for Select Board. When the thought got serious, she wrote the state Ethics Commission to find out if her full-time job as Mattapoisett's town clerk poses a conflict of interest.

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"They're supposed to let me know within 30 days ... it turned out to be a lot longer (wait)," she said of what was a four-page letter needing an attorney's guidance to fully understand. The conclusion: "There's nothing stopping me from (serving in both roles.)"

Tyler Macallister's three-year term is up this year, and he faces the challenges of both Heuberger and Brian Connelly. Brad Hathaway pulled and returned papers for the seat but on April 3 pulled out of the race.

"If this happens and I am elected, there are things I would have to take into consideration," said Heuberger. "There will be a little more - how is this going to play out?"

Immediately lurking is the question of running the 2023 Town Election scheduled for Tuesday, May 16. Heuberger said that Town Administrator Mike Lorenco has reached out to Town Counsel for guidance.

"It's a very important part of what I do," said Heuberger, who as of Tuesday morning was waiting to learn what she "should be doing and should not be doing regarding the upcoming election. ... We'll have some

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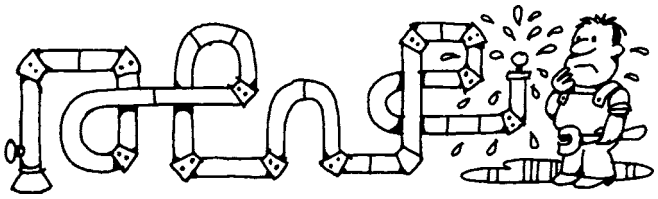

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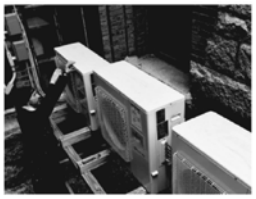

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answers on that soon."

As town clerk, Heuberger is well aware of the need for specific instructions as to her involvement for the town's and her own protection against any potential accusations, but she is also confident in her office staff and team of experienced election volunteers.

Nada Parker, the former longtime town clerk in Rochester, served on the Board of Selectmen there, Heuberger pointed out. "There is no ethics problem with it," she said. "Everyone has day jobs. The difference with me is my day job is actually here in Town Hall."

If elected, Heuberger compared her hypotheticals to Select Board member Jordan Collyer, who is a Mattapoisett Fire Department captain. Just as Collyer recuses himself from voting on matters pertaining to the Fire Department, so Heuberger sees herself recusing from the budget in the Town Clerk's department, for instance. "That's more a conversation for down the road," she said.

Debra O'Malley, the director of Communications for the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, replied to an email from The Wanderer, stating "that state election laws do not prohibit the town clerk from holding another town office, nor do the laws prohibit a person from running on the same town election ballot for more than one office," wrote O'Malley.

"While the Elections Division doesn't track how many clerks have held other positions simultaneously, it is not unheard of for a town clerk to be a member of the board of selectmen. I am aware of at least one other clerk - Nancy Talbot in Ware - who has been a member of the board of selectman while serving as town clerk."

Daffodil Thief Looks Back

This Mattapoisett Life

By Marilou Newell

My mother loved flowers. Not that she gardened or kept houseplants in sunny windows. That wasn't her thing. But if you gave her a bouquet or even a wilting dandelion presented from the sticky paws of a child, she'd smile and appreciate the gift. How many water glasses filled with weeds and flowers from yards in the neighborhood did my mother lovingly display on her

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Once schools closed for the summer, carloads of returning families would fill up the cottages, and the sounds of summer played in the background of my days. I'd have the summer kids to play with until the mosquitos chased us inside each evening. Summer foods, watermelon, juicy ripe tomatoes, grapes and melon, ice cream and pizza. Things we take for granted today were seasonal delights in the 1950s. I loved it all and remember

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During the school year when all the "summer people" who owned these second homes were hunkered down in Boston and in suburbs where their children attended private schools and played organized sports, worshiped in cathedrals and spent winter vacations skiing in Vermont or sunning themselves in Florida, I was sledding on the bluffs that buttressed Onset beach or rode my bike up and down the empty village streets, fantasizing about life within those cottage walls.

Yet one season above all others remains my favorite, and that is spring. The silence of a spring afternoon in the village was a balm from generational cares and concerns that seeped into my revery. Spring

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meant that yards I peddled by would soon be filled with flowers. My world both imagined and real would be joyfully colored with blooms, if only for a few weeks.

The cottages' tiny, landscaped lots were abandoned in the offseason. The summer people who filled Onset to overflowing in the summer were primarily first-generation, white-collar folks who had done well owning a shop or business and in keeping with the post-WWII boom years were ready to enjoy the fruits of their labor. But rarely if ever did these folks with their second homes in my empire spend more than June, July and August in Onset. In spring, I became a thief seeking out floral plunder in yards with white picket fences.

Spring flowers popped open in profuse abundance from forgotten gardens. Every shade of yellow and white filled flowering beds with daffodils. Wild purple pansies skirted the elegant spears of the daffodils like petticoats. Soon the harvesting would begin.

Of course, I had always been told to stay off other people's property. Of course, I knew it was wrong to take that which was not mine. But so strong was the urge to steal, the urge to bring armloads of flowers home to my mother, I succumbed. I needed the reward of her poorly concealed smiles.

The adrenaline rush of stealing is very real for the natural-born thief. First, you have to case the area where the crime will take place, then you have to make sure you have the ability to grab what you want and carry it off to your lair, then you have to hide your ill-gotten gains so no one finds out. Well, that last part didn't apply to my thievery. I wanted these treasures on full display in my mother's kitchen.

My methods were crude: Grab a handful as much as a six-year-old's hand could hold and pull with all my might. The stems and roots put up a good fight.

Mission accomplished, I'd hasten home through backyards so as not to be spied by an infrequent car passing by. Bounding up the back kitchen steps breathless and exuberant, I'd call to my mother. Upon seeing me standing there with a mitt full of daffodils, she'd try to hide her smile. What came out of her mouth was something along the lines of, "Oh no, I told you to stop stealing flowers. You

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New Counsel Offers Timely Tips

Rochester Select Board

By Mick Colageo

The main message that Jason Talerman of New Bedford-based Mead, Talerman & Costa LLC put out to attendees of Monday night's special Rochester Select Board meeting was that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Division of Open Government is looking for educated compliance with the Open Meeting Law, not to set a trap to snare an unsuspecting community volunteer.

After all, said Talerman referencing a typical perusal of his inbox, any given day he is bound to trip over a half-dozen Open Meeting Law violations.

"Email is the biggest trap out there for violations," said Talerman, whose one-hour PowerPoint presentation at the Senior Center brought out several chairpersons of municipal, adjudicatory boards and dozens of board, commission and committee members.

The hour spent on Monday night was the prelude to Lisa Sullivan's appearance on behalf of the state agency Green Communities.

The Select Board thought it timely to get better acquainted with Mead, Talerman & Costa LLC, Rochester's new town counsel and, at the same time, refresh and otherwise educate less-experienced elected officials. As Select Board Chairman Woody Hartley explained to The Wanderer, Open Meeting Law is only the first topic of discussion. More topics relevant to public service will be addressed in future meetings.

Learning how to avoid unintentional violations of the state's Open Meeting Law (M.G.L. c. 30A, Sections 18-25) was mutually considered an appropriate place to start, and Talerman stressed that the law doesn't exist for the officials or even the applicants who file with the Planning Board or Conservation Commission, for instance, but the public.

The law is meant to ensure townspeople have an opportunity to know what's going on and to comment on it, be it deliberations (any considerations between members of a public board, committee or commission that go beyond general correspondence or fact finding) or actions (votes.)

Upon Talerman's examples of email mistakes that constitute Open Meeting Law violations, Planning Board member Ben Bailey suggested using the "bcc" rather than

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"Great tip," said Talerman, who did not stop there. He pointed out more possible email-related infractions of the Open Meeting Law as food for thought. For instance, a singular reply to a chairperson's email about committee business, followed by the forwarding of the chairperson's email to another member with a comment, establishes a chain.

"Now three people are in the discussion," he explained. "Serial communications through email are a real trap. We're probably going to all violate at some point."

Social media brings its own potential problems.

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Talerman advised elected officials against getting caught up in Facebook discussions, even if a board member read misinformation and stopping short of offering an opinion sought out to set the record straight. Hypothetically, should another board member chime in 10 comments later, then a third, they may not even see that other members posted and be in violation.

"No good deed goes unpunished," said Talerman.

When it comes time to report an Open Meeting Law violation, the Attorney General frowns upon ignorance as an excuse. Learning the law, explained Talerman, is an essential part of becoming an elected municipal official.

Prior to state supervision, the Open Meeting Law was governed by each county's District Attorney Office. A lack of consistency in the application of the law led to the state taking over. Now even state agencies are governed by the Open Meeting Law.

While the state takes into consideration the many volunteers who do not deserve to be discouraged in their effort to serve their communities, proper reporting of Open Meeting Law violations remains mandatory.

Actual sanctions, reinforced Talerman, target those who show no interest in compliance or repeat the same violations over and over again.

Talerman went on to discuss definitions of terms such as quorum and examples of what constitutes a deliberation during a site visit.

He offered the "cautionary tale" of a five-person board, in which two members meet privately to plot strategy. Such a meeting, according to the Attorney General, does not require public posting. But, if that two-person group meets repeatedly, the Attorney General could determine it is actually a subcommittee (requiring public posting.)

Monday night's training was posted as a public meeting, but that was not required according to Talerman, providing members of the same board did not huddle and discuss board business.

Without posting, the Zoning Board of Appeals can attend the Planning Board meeting to listen to the Planning Board discuss a zoning bylaw, but if ZBA quorum present and its meeting is not posted, the ZBA may not discuss what could come before its members for that would constitute deliberation.

Town Meeting, said Talerman, does not require public advertising, but an informational, pre-meeting does.

In cautioning against jumping off place-holder agenda items (old business, for instance) into a discussion. Talerman reminded the attendees that the agenda exists for the sake of the public, not themselves, and that the proper action is to identify the subject worthy of discussion and agree to place it on the agenda for that board's next meeting.

Attendees learned about how to deal with emergencies, amended agendas and the like.

"It's a chair's world," said Talerman, emphasizing that agendas fall under the control of the chairperson, who should strive to ensure public access to any discussions.

Where it concerns the public, Talerman said the right to record a meeting does not give the media, for instance, the license to disrupt proceedings. He gave two examples, one of a camera standing on a tripod at close proximity, shining its bright light directly on the speaker. In the other case, a stenographer, who understandably wanted a complete record of a meeting, interrupted to request participant talk slower and not talk over one another.

There is also an important distinction between the public's right to comment during a public hearing and at a public meeting, the latter requiring permission from the chairperson.

"When you give the public the right to speak, you're really going to have to allow some counterpoint," said Talerman. The key is making sure that public comment sticks to the agenda item.

Open Forum, he said, opens the door "wide open" under the U.S. Constitution. Comment cannot be hateful or disruptive, "but they can be downright rude, and you can't stop them," said Talerman, who advises against granting people the right to take potshots at board members. "Put some guardrails up. ... There is somewhat of an erosion over the last decade in public forum in terms

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of civility."

School committees in the Tri-Town, for example, confine Public Comment to 15 total minutes, each speaker being given three minutes.

Confining himself to approximately 55 minutes, Talerman only briefly touched on ethics, recommending board members concerned about a possible conflict of interest to seek guidance before attending the meeting.

"Generally speaking, we are available before the Open Meeting Law mistake," said Talerman, encouraging board members and chairpersons to reach out to Town Administrator Glenn Cannon. "Town Counsel will answer on the spot. Most problems can be easily avoided."

In a short meeting that preceded the 6:00 pm agenda, the Rochester Select Board voted and signed a contract with Special Town Counsel (Miyares and Harrington, LLP) to represent the town in matters associated with 19 County Road. This was done upon advice that regular Town Counsel has a potential conflict of interest with the property.

The next regular meeting of the Rochester Select Board is anticipated on Monday, April 17, at 6:00 pm.

Hard Armoring Proposed at Goodspeed Island

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

By Marilou Newell

During the April 10 meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission, David Davignon of Schneider, Davignon & Leone, Inc., presented a proposal for the

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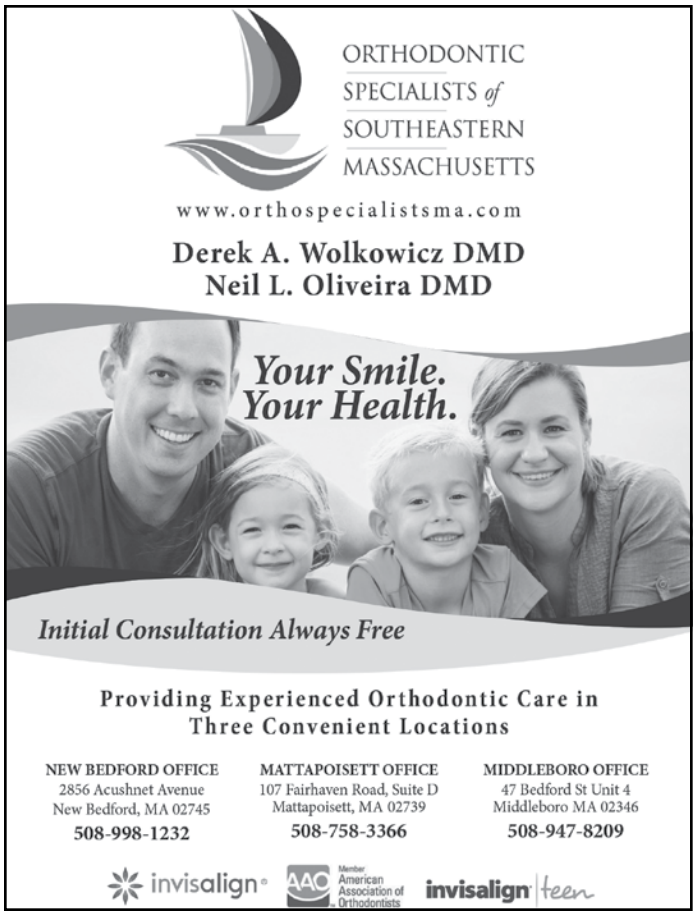
owners of 1 Goodspeed Island who seek hard armoring of the site's crumbling coastline.

Davignon explained that winter storms have destroyed a less environmentally intrusive method of protecting the shoreline, one that employed organic materials and root systems of grasses to hold the bank in place. On Monday night, the homeowners sought a more permanent solution. Davignon said they are seeking guidance on the possibility of using a rip-rap wall of stone to create a seawall. The commissioners weren't sure the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection would grant permission for a seawall, given that coastal erosion might just be the price paid for property along the coastline.



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration notes on their website, "Coastal erosion — the loss of shoreline sediment — is a complex process that continuously reshapes the shoreline and can threaten coastal property. Coastal managers and property owners often attempt to stabilize coastal land and protect residential and commercial infrastructure along the coast by building shoreline-armoring structures to hold back the sea and prevent the loss of sediment. Examples of such structures are seawalls, breakwaters and rip-rap embankments.

Shoreline armoring has both beneficial and detrimental effects. Armored shorelines can prevent sandy beaches, wetlands and other intertidal areas from moving inland as the land erodes or sea levels rise, but they also have the potential to eliminate habitat for marine organisms and beach front for the public by restricting the natural movement of sediments. The key to shoreline stabilization, if it is required, is to use a site-specific stabilization method that balances the needs of the public and the needs of the natural system.

Consulting environmental agent Brandon Faneuf suggested he have a discussion on the conceptual seawall, hard armoring proposal with the DEP and return with comments at a later date.

Nathan Collins of Next Grid solar came before the commission to discuss site conditions at the Bowman Road array that Faneuf had recently called "the worst" solar array he had ever seen.

Next Grid is seeking a Certificate of Compliance on a parcel adjacent to the developed solar array for the purposes of residential development. Collins told the commissioners that a checklist of issues received months ago had been addressed. The commissioners plan a site visit before taking further action or entertaining the requested Certificate of Compliance.

A Notice of Intent filed by Quinn Henshaw for the removal of trees for future property development located off Prospect Road at Chesapeake Run was conditioned. A Request for Determination of Applicability, 2 Dupont Drive, for a new septic system for an existing three-bedroom home received a negative decision. A three-year

extension to an Order of Conditions was granted to James and Sharlene Craig for property located on Aucoot Road.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, April 24, at 6:30 pm.

Zoning Bylaws on Chopping Block

Rochester Planning Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

The Rochester Planning Board on Tuesday night approved putting two articles deleting zoning bylaws on the May 22 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

One will eliminate the temporary moratorium on permitting marijuana retail-sales operations, which is no longer needed because state regulations on such licensing have now been finalized and the town has already approved its first such business.

The other article will delete the Orderly Development bylaw. Town Planner Nancy Durfee explained later that this bylaw was created to control the rate of new homes being built in large housing developments such as Connet Woods. Now that Connet is near completion and no similar large housing projects are being proposed right now, the town wants to wait and see if it will ever need the measure again, she said.

The Planning Board also endorsed for placement on the Town Meeting Warrant a third zoning bylaw-amendment article that will correct a typographical error in the site-plan review section of the bylaw.

The brief meeting's other highlight came when Durfee received the board's endorsement of a letter seeking the Select Board's support of a plan to study Snipatuit Pond.

Durfee explained that, with $20,000 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds received through SRPEDD (Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District), a flow gauge will be installed and two sink wells placed to determine the pond's groundwater flow and levels.

The total cost of this assessment, she said, will be $30,000. She expects the remaining $10,000 to come from Covanta's (the former SEMASS) community donation funds.

"We want to make sure the groundwater flow is there for future use," Durfee explained. "A 1980s report on the pond is just crushing. Levels are changing. There's no data to know what to do with this issue."

The letter elaborates that the study will help the town better understand the groundwater and surface-flow dynamics between Snipatuit and Great Quitticas, "and what that means to watershed boundaries and groundwater supply. ... The Planning Board supports this project and is confident the project will yield valuable results," said Durfee.

In other action, the board appointed Durfee as its representative to SRPEDD.

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The Rochester Planning Board's next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 25, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

MRV Looking Beyond SRF Funding

MRV Water District Commission/Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee

By Mick Colageo

The Mattapoisett River Valley Water District is trying to work a borrowing scheme after being denied a State Revolving Fund loan for its long-planned upgrade to the filtration system of the water-treatment facility located in Mattapoisett.

According to Mass.gov, the State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan program offers affordable financing options to cities, towns and public water utilities to improve water supply infrastructure and drinking water safety.

Without this option, a subcommittee of the MRV, including Chairman and Fairhaven representative Vinnie Furtado and representatives from each of the Tri-Towns (member towns) have been meeting with Unibank for Savings.

By way of what was described during Tuesday's regularly scheduled MRV meeting as an Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) that would be drafted by the MRV's legal counsel Blair Bailey, the private-lending plan would see Fairhaven borrow all $7,200,000 and recoup all but its own $4,300,000 share.

As Furtado explained, even though the MRV borrowed and paid back SRF funding, only the Town of Fairhaven has audited statements on the MRV's behalf.

"If we're going to go down the path of private borrowing, that may be what we're going to have to do," said Furtado, fully cognizant that Town Meeting is too close to accomplish in time for May.

Over the past two days, Jon Gregory of Tata & Howard engineers has been in communication with the state Department of Environmental Protection, which he told the members carries $5,000,000 for communities in emergency situations. Earlier Tuesday, a state official contacted Gregory directly to discuss the MRV's plight.

"We are going to go ahead and send (DEP) any information that can help them understand the district better," he said. "This is very much a fluid situation, we just heard about it an hour ago."

Facilities Manager Henri Renauld asked, "If we go after the SRF for $5,000,000 ... can we apply for the $2,200,000?"

Bailey clarified the process, noting that select boards approve IMA's, so only Fairhaven needs a Town Meeting vote. "There were Town Meeting votes in Marion and Mattapoisett to approve the borrowing. ... They're aware of what the costs are."

In other business, Renauld reported that total invoices paid by the commission in March totaled $66,081.94.

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Immediately prior to the commission meeting, the MRV Water Protection Advisory Committee met for 30 minutes, hearing from the Buzzards Bay Coalition regarding the MRV's Water Supply Resilience Land Protection Project.

The project was launched to acquire and protect 240 acres of land with permanent conservation restrictions, encompassing the groundwater aquifer that supplies drinking water for MRV member towns Fairhaven, Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester. Acushnet is also a participant in the project.

In an update to the committee, Buzzards Bay Coalition representative Brendan Annett reported that the state-review process is being completed, and local committees will meet after respective town meetings.

Coalition representative Allen Decker told the MRV he is working with Bailey on a town-meeting article and that the Coalition created a fact sheet translated into Spanish, Portuguese and Cabo Verde Creole. A site visit was held on March 26, drawing a dozen people from the different member towns.

In his Tata & Howard Report, Gregory told the membership that David Watling is on the mend after an accident and is having his son help him continue his customary water-monitoring work.

December graphs have been received from Megan McCarthy; those will be converted to PDF files and be distributed to the group, bringing together an entire year

of data that Gregory will analyze and present this spring with an eye on how the area reacted to the extended drought.

Seeing that the proposed solar canopy over the rear parking lot of Rochester Memorial School creates no new impervious area and does not change the watershed, the committee voted to authorize the chairman to write a letter of approval to Green Seal Environmental to satisfy Rochester Planning Board requirements.

As reported by Committee Treasurer Jeff Furtado, total February expenditures for the committee totaled in excess of $35,000, while total income as of March 1 was $81,493.61 for a total balance of $156,900.42. March expenditures totaled $38,531.19, bringing total income to $81,687.31 with an April 1 ending balance of $154,007.17.

The MRV plans to bring back its regional meeting of water officials in the fall.

The next meeting of the MRV Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, at 3:30 pm with the MRV Water District Commission meeting to immediately follow at 4:00 pm on the same Zoom call.

Mattapoisett Prepares for Town Meeting

Mattapoisett Finance Committee

By Marilou Newell

With just a few weeks to go until the May 8 Annual Town Meeting takes place in Mattapoisett, the Finance Committee and financial offices in Town Hall continued their review of the FY24 budget on April 6.

Giving a summary report to the committee was Town Administrator Mike Lorenco. At the top of the summary list was the town budget coming in at 3.1% over last year or $967,674 for a total of $31,686,847.

Lorenco commented that this figure is "the lowest levy increase in total dollars since 2015." He stated that the figure includes savings for such expenses as $160,000 for the School Stabilization Account and $175,000 for the town's OPEB liability. Another cost-savings strategy is lowering the reliance on available funds by using the Ambulance Revolving Fund and the Capital Debt Stabilization Fund both by $50,000.

Under the title of Investments in the Budget, Lorenco called out increases in both the Fire and Police Department budgets.

Coming in at 9.6% over FY23 or $80,053, the explanation for the increase included the need for a third staff member during morning shifts for public-safety reasons. Equipment and clothing costs were also mentioned.

The Police/Paramedic budget rose 3.71% or $94,000. The increase represents union contract increases and leaving room for leadership promotions under the chief. The Paramedic budget also climbed by $44,000 or 9.75%.

At least one new staff position impacting the General Government sector by $8,220 will be in the Assessing Department, while the still vacant Planner/Conservation Agent at $44,700 will remain in the budget as the Select Board continues to try and fill that slot.

New to the Town Hall is a Human Resources director. The town has had a benefits coordinator in the past but never a Human Resources professional. Lorenco said the position's salary is pegged at $70,000.

The Council on Aging is looking to add one, part-time staffer to assist with community outreach and other programs for $20,930.

Healthcare costs are up $97,280 or 4%, which includes a small buffer for unanticipated increases in FY24.

The retirement contribution calculated by the Plymouth County Retirement Board is up 10.50% or $169,516. The figure is based on actuarial studies with full funding mandated by 2029.

Some of the Capital Requests planned for the voters' consideration are $170,000 new backhoe/loader, $250,000 roadway repairs and improvements and one police cruiser $50,000. Not to be forgotten is $1,437,000 in Debt Exclusions for the Oakland and Pearl Street roadway improvements.

School budgets stand at local schools $7,845,807, Old Rochester Regional $6,353,695 (down $34,191) and Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School $852,328 (down $23,391.)

On Thursday, April 20, the Mattapoisett Finance Committee will meet with the Select Board in a public meeting to review the budget in its entirety one more time.

Recreation Department in Need of Space

Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission

By Mick Colageo

Recreation Director Scott Tavares met with the Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission on April 6 to discuss emerging needs, especially where it concerns places to play lacrosse and soccer.

MOSAC Chairman John Rockwell asked Tavares to inform the commissioners on the department's

programming. Indications at the time were that the Recreation Department did not need any more space.

Primarily in the fall and spring, Marion runs its soccer program. In the fall season, there were 145 children playing on Saturday mornings at Dexter Lane fields in Rochester.

"The Rochester Parks Commission has been gracious in allowing us to use those fields, but we're also competing against other outside programs to use the same field space," said Tavares. "In terms of, like when we look at trying to grow our programs, last year we had four teams that went on from the fall and competing in the more-competitive league in the spring, and it's really a battle for any type of green, field space."

The Marion Recreation Department has access to Washburn Park, primarily a baseball facility with two fields and a small softball field in the back.

"You can fit a soccer field or a lacrosse field in there, but it's diagonal. Usually between the two infields and if you do that, you can't have any baseball going on at the same time," said Tavares, who said Marion has been working with the Old Rochester Youth Lacrosse League, including "entry-level" discussions on the lacrosse league being managed or assisted by Marion Recreation.

"One of the reasons we don't do that is because we don't really have the field space to offer them," said Tavares. "There's limited amount of green field space for kiddos in Marion. We really utilize Dexter Field for the majority of our field stuff, primarily lacrosse and soccer."

The field area at Silvershell Beach, said Tavares, has been used for some youth-lacrosse programs but is not of adequate size for what those programs need. That is similarly true of spaces under consideration at Washburn.

Competition for field space, says Tavares, comes from private organizations as well as travel teams. He alluded to a situation in which Marion's age 9-10 girls' competitive soccer team was using a field that was bordering a softball field. When softballs were bouncing and rolling into the adjacent soccer field, it became a safety issue.

"There's a desire, I think, to expand our programs and our offerings, but I think one of our significant, limiting factors is our field space, and then obviously there's other limiting factors in terms of people volunteering to coach and things of that nature," explained Tavares.

Marion, he said, has no other dedicated sports space besides Washburn Park, which is built to accommodate baseball.

Rockwell said a recent, two-field proposal was figured to cost approximately $1,000,000. He said the flat property along Route 105 in Rochester recently dedicated to farm use would have been a perfect site, also because of its water-holding capacity. He suggested searching for similarly flat land that would mitigate construction costs. Such a location would have to be "wetlands-free," said Rockwell, who told Tavares that MOSAC would keep the recreation department in mind.

One such project, said Rockwell, was pitched by the Select Board but with the caveat that MOSAC would make the purchase. The town, said Rockwell, had earmarked Community Preservation Act funds for other projects. "That and the fact there was no real plan to bring it from 'We buy this piece of land, and how do we get it to the end result?'"

Tavares acknowledged that any such procurement would be a lengthy, expensive project.

"Realizing that there's a lot of kids in the Tri-Town that play soccer and lacrosse ... I think a lot of kids go down to Mariner Soccer down in Fairhaven. They have a much larger complex ... what I hear is that the youth soccer league used to be a lot larger out at Dexter Lane," said Tavares. "More organizations have started to ask about and have started to use Dexter Lane, and our numbers continue to get smaller and smaller.

"Some of that could be tied to field space, and some of it could be tied to maybe different programming that Mariner has offered. But there's always folks that reach out and ask if we can add to the soccer programming. Even lacrosse programming, I would love to take that over, but ... looking at recreational space for kids, there's not a ton to offer."

Rockwell asked if, from a theoretical standpoint, multiple towns could be involved in creating recreation

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space. Tavares considers it a good idea and noted ongoing involvement with the Mattapoisett Recreation Department on particular programs. Rockwell said he'd put feelers out for the whole Tri-Town area.

"It's a tough find," they agreed.

Off topic, Tavares asked on behalf of adult programming if MOSAC would be aware of appropriate space for disc golf. Rockwell alluded to Washburn Park, and the two agreed to explore the park in May.

"One of the things we've been working on recently is ... looking at our criteria for purchasing land ... we redo it every once in a while, and that's one of the things we're doing right now," said MOSAC member Amanda Chace, noting the struggle in past interests simply because "we didn't know what the need was."

Lacrosse in the Tri-Town, said Tavares, has grown over the last two or three years. Grades 1-8 are now fielding two competitive teams of 20 players each. "We have waitlists as well," he said, explaining a lack of coaches and field space are the two major limiting factors.

Tavares said he has approached Tabor Academy, which has worked with Marion on some things, he said.

In other business, Rockwell spoke with Jim Arne about the Point Road Path, noting that the bidding threshold is $50,000. He said procurement would be easier for MOSAC if the projects can be split up at less than $50,000. He hopes Town Administrator Geoff Gorman and Select Board Chairman Randy Parker can visit the site.

MOSAC's forestry plan has been completed, and all associated paperwork has been sent to the town accountant's office.

The commission entered Executive Session to discuss a potential land acquisition.

MOSAC did not announce the date of its next meeting upon adjournment.

Green Communities Withdrawal to Remain on Warrant

By Michael J. DeCicco

Residents and town officials crowded the Rochester senior center Monday to hear input on whether to withdraw from the Commonwealth's

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Green Communities program, which provides grants and technical assistance to support constructing more energy-efficient buildings and homes but also mandates compliance with building codes that increase construction costs.

Attendees ended up with only one clear conclusion. Until more information on comparative construction costs is available, the town might want to delay the vote to leave the program that will take the form of two articles on the May 22 Annual Town Meeting warrant.

Green Communities Southeast Coordinator Lisa Sullivan spoke of the benefits of being a Green Community. The town, she said, has received $425,505 in grants since its December 2019 designation as a Green Community. This money has funded energy-efficiency projects such as LED lighting and envelope improvements in the town's municipal buildings.

To qualify for the Green Communities designation, the town must create a plan to reduce energy consumption by 20 percent within 20 years and adopt a fuel-efficiency, vehicle-purchase policy.

Senior Advisor Paul Raymer spoke in favor of the Stretch building code that the town must follow more strictly as a Green Community. He noted the code requires Home Energy Rating Scores (verifiers) that will test the energy efficiency of structures before improvements are recommended, and the state pays for that step.

Raymer's main message: Stricter building codes that increase energy efficiency and lower fossil-fuel energy consumption are worth the cost and effort.

Attendees were not convinced, pointing out that the code mandates more expensive building materials, and electric vehicles are more expensive to dispose of at the end of their lives.

Select Board Chairman Woody Hartley clarified that because the town wants to rescind its Green Communities status, residents need to better understand how the different levels of Stretch code might make construction costs go up.

"Especially when we are facing a $15,000,000 building program," he said, referring to the town's

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current plan to build a new fire station and construct an addition to the police station.

Raymer's other message was that there are too many variables involved to immediately determine the increase that Green Communities' Stretch code would pose on the construction costs of the public-safety project.

A resident asked Hartley if, without solid answers to financial impact, it might be premature to decide on rescinding the town's Green Communities status next month on Town Meeting floor. Hartley agreed the vote could be delayed if that is what the town wants.

Sullivan noted that Rochester is the only Green Communities municipality in the state looking to withdraw. She said it is too early in the planning process to know how much the town project's costs will rise under Green Communities status.

Planning Board and Public Safety Building Feasibility Study Committee Chairman Arnold Johnson rose from his chair to dispute that claim.

"We have a good game plan right now," said Johnson, elaborating to say the (public-safety-facilities) plan is already looking more expensive because of these Green Stretch codes and that the town should withdraw from its participation in the Green Communities program.

Johnson said the building installation will have to be stronger and thus more expensive. The new sallyport bays in the police station addition will require electric-vehicle charging stations. Triple-pane windows will be required, whereas double-pane windows would have been installed instead.

"It all adds up," Johnson said. "These are not imaginary plans. The costs will only get higher. A tighter building means higher electric bills. It makes no sense. You've got to balance it out. If you're looking at a pay back/better energy-efficiency period of five years, it's not worth it. We have to be very careful. We have a limited commercial base in this town."

Rochester Facilities Manager Andrew Daniel said his goal on the committee that worked on joining Green Communities was to reduce the town's energy consumption and save the town money. He said he is not sure both goals have been realized. "I just know that this

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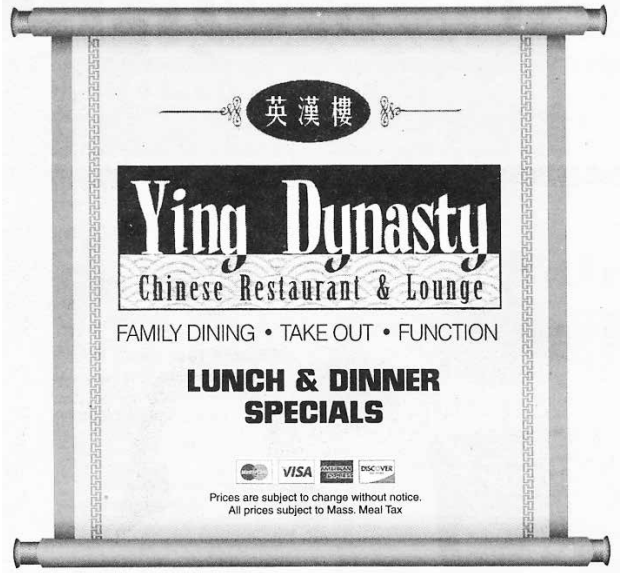

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will have a ton of impacts on us," he said.

After the discussion ended, Hartley acknowledged that the articles to withdraw from Green Communities will remain on the May 22 Annual Town Meeting warrant. One article is a citizens' petition to withdraw; the other is an action by the Select Board to recommend the same.

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An Open Letter to Jordan C. Collyer, Jodi Lynn Bauer and R. Tyler Macallister:

I am communicating with you using an open letter because none of you has responded to the letter I mailed to you on March 13 or even acknowledged receiving it. Nor have you or anyone at Town Hall acting on your behalf responded to the voicemail I left yesterday. I do not think this is the right way to deal with a Town resident you were elected to serve.

I have lived here since November 2020, when I retired and bought a house with my partner. We are year-round residents and are very happy to be here. But I have a serious concern. I have owned four other houses in my lifetime and have never seen property tax increases as substantial as the ones we have experienced since we bought our house.

In the past year, our property taxes increased by 19.6%. This followed a 10% increase the year before, meaning that in the two-plus years since we purchased our home, our property taxes have increased by almost 30%. I have reviewed the tax records of other houses on our street and am aware that they all have experienced similar increases in property taxes. I was advised by the Tax Assessor's office that this is consistent with tax increases levied on properties throughout the Town over the past two years.

I am aware of no civic emergency or need for public spending since we bought our home that would have required property tax increases like this. I recall attending a Town Meeting in 2021 at which the principal topic of discussion was how to spend approximately $2 million in surplus tax revenues the Town had collected. Votes were taken approving the purchase of a new fire

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truck and police vehicle, among other things. There was no discussion of returning the surplus tax dollars to the people from whom the Town had collected them, which, of course, is what the Commonwealth of Massachusetts did recently with its surplus tax revenue.

After we received our new property tax bill, I asked the Tax Assessor's office to explain the 2023 increase. I was told that the tax rate had not changed but that there had been a substantial increase in the value of real estate within the Town and that when the existing rate was applied to the new property values, taxes would necessarily rise as well.

The Town chooses how much to tax its real property owners. It seems to me the choice should be based solely on what the Town needs to fund the activities of government. I have no problem with the concept of taxation, and am more than willing to pay my fair share. But at a time of surplus – and with no particular need of which I am aware for a large infusion of new revenue – I find it disturbing that the Town has seen fit to ask its homeowners for all this extra money. Indeed, I understand that at the Town Meeting next month, the Town will propose an increase in its operating budget of only 2.9%. What, then, is the need for all the cash the Town is collecting from all of us?

Yours truly,
William D. Nussbaum

Coastline Elderly Nutrition Program

Monday, April 17: Patriot's Day – no meals served
Tuesday, April 18: Chicken & rice paella, chickpea blend vegetable, oatmeal roll, mixed fruit
Wednesday, April 19: Mushroom barley soup, roast pork w/rosemary gravy, Riviera vegetables, multigrain roll, fresh orange
Thursday, April 20: Beef chili, white/brown rice, corn bread, fruited gelatin, diet: diet gelatin
Friday, April 21: Baked flounder, lemon dill sauce, roasted potato, Jardiniere blend, wheat bread, pineapple chunks

From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society

By Connie Eshbach

For any adventure seeking young man growing up in the 1800's in Rochester, the idea of crewing on a whaling bark was enticing. Over the years, many a Rochester resident of a certain age went off to try his luck at sea. In the files at the Museum, there are many articles donated by area residents. One of these is a lengthy interview of 74 year old Frank Rounseville. In this article, he reminisces about his four years as part of the crew on the maiden voyage of the Wanderer.

Frank was eighteen when he left school and made the decision to sign on to the crew of a whaler. His parents weren't happy with that career plan, but since his father had done the same thing at about the same age, there

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wasn't much they could say. At the Museum, we have copies of the letters his mother, Roxanna Rounseville wrote to him while he was at sea. The letters are also reprinted in Rochester Journal #4 which is on sale at the Museum.

When Frank signed on to crew under Capt. Andrew Heyer, he had a good idea of what to expect. His father's stories of his whaling days let him know as he said that "the cap'n didn't give you pies whenever you wanted them." The Wanderer was a new ship built in Mattapoisett in 1878 and began a four year voyage from Mattapoisett Harbor on June 4 of that year. They headed out with a crew of 32 and stopped at Fayal in the Azores to pick up the captain's young wife. They then headed south of the equator and for the four years at sea, Rounseville said that he never saw the North Star until they crossed the line on their way home.

For the most part the Wanderer was a fortunate vessel. Just one month into the voyage, on July 4, they took in 100 barrels of oil. Early on, Seaman Rounseville watched the chase after whales from the mother ship, but before long he was assigned to First Mate Charles W. Barker's boat. He must have acquitted himself admirably for after two years before the mast, he was promoted to boat steerer. He downplayed the promotion because he said, "Boat steerer's the man who gets blamed for everything." He did allow that he got "better fare at table and less duty at the wheel and less standing lookout."

The luck of the Wanderer held for the journey with no fatalities among the crew and good luck at filling the ship's hold with oil. Sadly, in the third year that luck did not extend to the Captain, whose wife died, leaving him with an infant daughter. He left the ship and turned over command to Capt. John S. Layton.

Rounseville describes both exciting chases after whales and daily chores. One job was to climb into the "case", the reservoir in the head of a sperm whale in order to bail out the oil. All it took was a little warming before it liquefied enough to remove. He recounted stepping barefoot into the whale's head and using a dipper that would hold a gallon and a half of oil. His clothes would often reek of whale oil for days.

There were exciting times. He told of one time when the second, third and fourth mates' boats all fastened onto one whale and were towed from sunset until sunrise. After being gone for at least 12 hours, they returned with the dead whale.

Rounseville's four years counted as two voyages and in the middle of that time, the ship's ownership changed hands. He was prepared to sign on for another voyage, whereas a now experienced man, he would be eligible for a larger lay or share of the profits. However, when he learned they would be heading to the Arctic, he left the sea with $250.00 and souvenirs he had purchased in ports like St. Helena and Teneriffe and returned to Rochester. There he worked at the family's sawmill, cut

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This article was written in 1935, at a time when Frank Rounseville and Joseph Stowell of Fairhaven were the only known survivors of the Wanderer's maiden voyage. The picture shows Frank Rounseville with a few items from his voyage. He cut the cane out of ivory from a 100 barrel whale and carved it during down times at sea. The four teeth come from the same whale which he helped to catch.

Rochester Historical Society Events

Don't forget to join us on **April 19** at 7 pm at the Museum at 355 County Road for Rochester's Past Celebrations.

May 7 at 2:00 in front of Town Hall where we will be joining the Rochester Historical Commission in dedicating our town's new Revolutionary War Memorial.

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The Tour de Creme is seeking experienced cyclists to volunteer for this year's event on Sunday **May 21**. Volunteer cyclists help keep the other cyclists safe, acting as ride ambassadors and ride sweeps. These volunteers help to make sure all riders stay on course and that nobody gets left behind. If you are a cyclist interested in riding in this year's Tour de Creme at no cost, sign up today to become a volunteer rider. Cycling experience and

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SLT's Scholarship Committee will review all completed applications and will award the scholarship to the student(s) whose pursuits most closely reflect Helen's wishes, as mirrored by the mission of Sippican Lands Trust: to acquire, preserve, and provide access to open space throughout Marion for the benefit of the public today and for future generations.

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-Two letters of reference with contact information (examples: teacher, guidance counselor, coach, employer, Scout leader, community leader, etc.)

All forms will be available in guidance offices and on the SLT website at www.sippicanlandstrust.org.

Completed applications should be postmarked by May 1, 2023 and mailed to: Sippican Lands Trust, Attn: Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 848, Marion, MA 02738.

All applicants will be notified of status by email by June 1, 2023.

Church of the Good Shepherd Rummage Sale

Church of the Good Shepherd Church of the Good Shepherd, 74 High Street in Wareham is having its annual spring rummage sale on Saturday, **April 29** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Items include clothing, coats, shoes, domestic items, puzzles, games, toys, white elephant items and small furnishings. The proceeds go towards the many ministries provided throughout the year.

Marion Art Center

The Marion Art Center is seeking art contributions for the MAC's annual summer fundraiser, Cocktails by the Sea. The fundraising committee will collect a limited number of high quality items, including original artwork, fine reproductions (must be framed), ceramics, glass, jewelry and more. Experience packages are also welcome for the silent auction. Those who wish to contribute should email auction coordinators Joanne Petrie and Errin Chapin at auction@marionartcenter.org. Save the date for this popular event scheduled on Friday, **July 28** from 5:30-8:30 pm at the home of Trevor and Ann Hatton located at 183 Front Street in Marion. Members of the Marion Art Center may purchase tickets in advance beginning **May 1**, while general ticket sales will begin **May 15**. Be sure to join or renew your MAC membership in order to get your tickets before they sell out. Register online at marionartcenter.org/join.

Members of the MAC are invited to a member appreciation day celebration at the Marion Art Center on Saturday, **June 3** from 2:00-4:00 pm. A rain date is scheduled on Sunday, **June 4**. The MAC will offer free ice cream, face painting, lawn games and live music. This family-friendly event is for any and all MAC members. Those who wish to join the MAC can do so at the event, or sign up ahead of time at marionartcenter.org/

Tri-town Police Logs

MARION
Log highlights April 2-April 8

- Bullivant Farm Rd – EMS/medical
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – Parking enforcement
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious activity
- Route 195 West – MV fire
- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Front St – MV complaint
- Marion Rd – Paper service
- Quail's Crossing Rd - Transport
- Derby Ln – Gunshots reported
- Front St – MV stop/impounded
- West Dr – Waterways hazard
- Front St – MV stop/arrest
- Front St - Arrest
- Wareham Rd – MV collision
- Village Dr – Health/welfare
- County Rd – Follow up
- Spring St – EMS/medical
- Card Dr – Health/welfare
- Spring St – MV collision
- Spring St – Follow up investigation
- Jenney Ln – EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd – Road hazard
- Front St – Officer wanted
- Point Rd – General service
- Mill St – Health/welfare
- Front St – Animal control
- Point Rd – Emergency services
- Wareham Rd – Brush fire

MATTAPOISETT
Log highlights April 2-April 8

- Barstow St – 911 abandoned
- Aucoot Rd – MV violations
- Crystal Spring Rd - Notification
- Acushnet Rd – Harassment
- County Rd – Assist other agency
- Acushnet Rd – Summons service
- County Rd – Follow up
- Fairhaven Rd – Animal control
- Deep Woods Dr – MV lockout
- Shaw St – Follow up investigation
- Randall Rd – Health/welfare
- Oakland St – General service
- North St – MV violations
- Acushnet Rd – Animal control
- North St – MV violations
- Park St – MV violations
- Industrial Dr – Ambulance request
- Marion Rd – General services
- County Rd – Harassment service
- Main St – Health/welfare
- Acushnet Rd – Harassment
- Deerfield Rd – MV violations
- Homestead Ct – Health/welfare
- Fairhaven Rd – MV crash
- Brookside Dr – Follow up
- Fairhaven Rd – 911 call
- North St – General service
- Shaw St – Domestic disturbance
- Mattapoisett Neck Rd – Injury

ROCHESTER
Log highlights April 2-April 8

- Mattapoisett Rd – 911 call
- Walnut Plain Rd – Civil complaint
- New Bedford Rd – MV stop/citation
- Cushman Rd - Fraud
- Clapp Rd – Outside fire
- Burgess Ave – Lost animal
- Dexter Ln - Fraud
- Constitution Way – Animal control
- Robinson Rd – MV stop/towed
- Bishop Rd - Fraud
- Forbes Rd - Vandalism
- Vaughn Hill Rd – Illegal dumping
- Walnut Plain Rd - Threats
- Marion Rd – 911 call
- North Ave – MV stop/arrest
- County Rd – Noise complaint
- Stuart Rd – Outside investigation
- Neck Rd – Assist other agency
- County Rd – MV stop/towed
- Neck Rd - Medical
- North Ave – Suspicious activity
- Cushman Rd – Well being check
- Mattapoisett Rd – 911 call
- New Bedford Rd – 911 call
- County Rd - Vandalism
- Walnut Plain Rd - Harassment
- Hartley Rd – Outside investigation
- Sarah Sherman Rd – Parking
- Neck Rd - Disturbance

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

join. This event is free to attend, but the MAC requests that members register ahead of time. To RSVP, register online at marionartcenter.org/events, email info@marionartcenter.org, or call 508-748-1266 with name, contact info and number of attendees.

Rochester Women's Club

Earth Day 2023 is fast approaching, and the Rochester Women's Club once again will be sponsoring this year's town wide cleanup on Saturday **April 22** from 9 am -2 pm. Local groups or clubs, families, neighborhoods and town organizations are encouraged to join us as we do our best to sweep the streets of Rochester clean. It takes more than a village, and if anyone is up to volunteering for a few hours, give us a call at 508 322 0998 or send us an email at rwomensclub@aol.com. More details to follow as we begin to put this event together.

The Rochester Women's Club is located at 37 Marion Road in Rochester. Our club meets every first and third Wednesday of the month at 6 pm from September to May. You need not live in Rochester to visit or join our group.

April "Staycation" Scavenger Hunts

This April vacation, try out Mattapoisett Land Trust's Staycation Scavenger Hunts to get outdoors and have some fun. Created by MLT's Education Committee, there are three scavenger hunt locations to choose from:

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7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM You and Your Health
9:00 AM A Conversation With…
9:30 AM Arts Alive
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Auto Sense
11:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
11:30 AM Paltrocast with Darren Paltowitz
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Dana Debarros and Rhonda Pina Mendes
3:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
5:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM This is America & The World
8:00 PM Money Matters TV
8:30 PM The Beacon Hill Report
9:00 PM Lamb of God Christian Church
10:00 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Andrew Lloyd Webber
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday April 14, 2023
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM Cape Conversations
11:30 AM A Conversation With…
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Off the Shelf
3:00 PM Two Grannies on the Road
3:30 PM This is America and the World
4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltowitz
4:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
5:00 PM FORM Instrumental Concert
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Tri-Town Against Racism
7:45 PM Sippican Historical Society - 19th Century American Landscapes
9:00 PM The Non-Profit World
9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday April 15, 2023
6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival
9:00 AM Health Source
9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM A Conversation With…
11:00 AM Auto Sense
11:30 AM Science 360
12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Dana Debarros and Rhonda Pina Mendes
2:30 PM XUC Pro Wrestling
3:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltowitz
3:30 PM South Coast Matters
4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Butterflies on the Southcoast
5:30 PM Cape Conversations
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
8:30 PM Sippican Historical Society - 19th Century American Landscapes
9:30 PM Registers Report
10:00 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
10:30 PM Let's Talk Business
11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday April 16, 2023
6:00 AM Health Source
6:30 AM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian Church
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Dana Debarros and Rhonda Pina Mendes
2:25 PM Sippican Historical Society - 19th Century American Landscapes
3:30 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz
4:00 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers
4:30 PM The World Fusion Show
5:00 PM XUC Pro Wrestling
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
8:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - The Climate Crisis and its Solution
9:30 PM This is America & The World
11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday April 17, 2023
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM You and Your Health
9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Shw
10:00 AM A Conversation With…
10:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
11:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM In the Toy Box
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:30 PM The Collective Chat
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
5:00 PM Tri-Town Against Racism
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:20 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Andrew Lloyd Webber
7:30 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltowitz
8:00 PM Pete on the Street
8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
9:00 PM Let's Talk Business
9:30 PM Building the Future
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday April 18, 2023
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
9:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
9:30 AM The Collective Chat
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM Arts Alive
11:30 AM In the Toy Box
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM The Non-Profit World
2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Plastic Pollution
5:30 PM Tri-Town TV
6:00 PM XUC Pro Wrestling
7:00 PM Tri-Town Against Racism
8:00 PM Money Matters TV
8:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
9:00 PM Falmouth Academy Community Series
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday April 19, 2023
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body
8:30 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:00 PM Auto Sense
2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday
3:00 PM A Conversation With…
3:30 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard
4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz
4:30 PM Tri-Town Against Racism
5:30 PM Building the Future
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM Let's Talk Business
7:30 PM Registers Report
8:00 PM Tri-Town Against Racism
9:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

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Daily Schedule
7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen
7:30 AM Marion Planning Board
10:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission
12:00 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals
1:00 PM Marion School Committee
3:30 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Committee
4:30 PM Marion Finance Committe
6:00 PM Marion Board of Health
7:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust
8:00 PM Marion Marine Resource Committee
9:00 PM Marion School Committee
11:30 PM ORR School Committee

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7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectmen
8:30 AM Rochester Planning Board
9:00 AM Rochester Conservation Commission
11:00 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeal
12:30 PM Rochester School Committee
2:30 PM ORR School Committee
4:30 PM ORR Joint School Committee
6:30 PM ORR Budget Public Hearing
7:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen Planning Board
9:00 PM Rochester Planning Board
11:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission

EDUCATION CHANNEL
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Daily Schedule
7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM ORR School Committee
11:00 AM Sippican Historical Society
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:30 PM ORR Theatre Class
1:30 PM ORR FORM Concert
2:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Apponequet
5:30 PM Old Colony VEX Robotics Competition 2023
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
7:00 PM ORR Senior Superlatives
8:30 PM ORR Volleyball vs Dennis Yarmouth
11:00 PM Old Colony STEM Day

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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE
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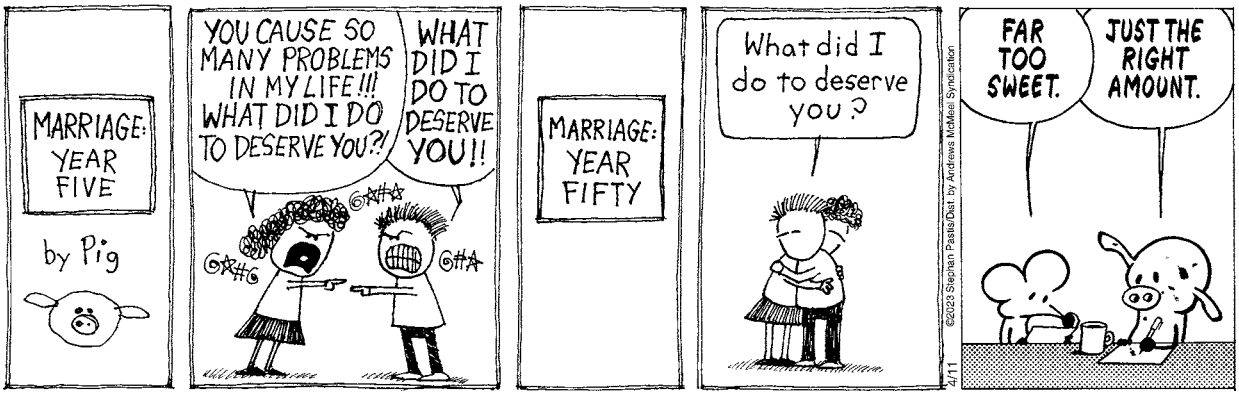

Dunseith Gardens, Tub Mill and Grace Meadow. See the Family Activities page on the MLT website to download the instructions and checklists for printing. Good luck. Remember to post your photos with #MLTscavengerhunt so we see how well you do.

Insect ID Nature Walk with Entomologist

Blake Dinius is an experienced entomologist with the Plymouth County Extension Office who has spent years researching insects. Blake joined the Mattapoisett Land Trust last year for an informational presentation on ticks and mosquitos. This year, Blake and MLT are taking it outside and getting closer to the subject matter: bugs.

Join Blake and MLT on Thursday, **April 20** at 10:30 am at the Grace Meadow Preserve for an Insect ID Nature Walk. Blake will be teaching us all about the bugs we find on our walk through the meadow. Park at the kiosk at the end of Bowman Road and please dress for the outdoors; long pants and close-toed shoes are recommended. This program is for people of all ages. Please see the MLT's online events calendar for more details and to RSVP.

Discover Vernal Pools with the MLT

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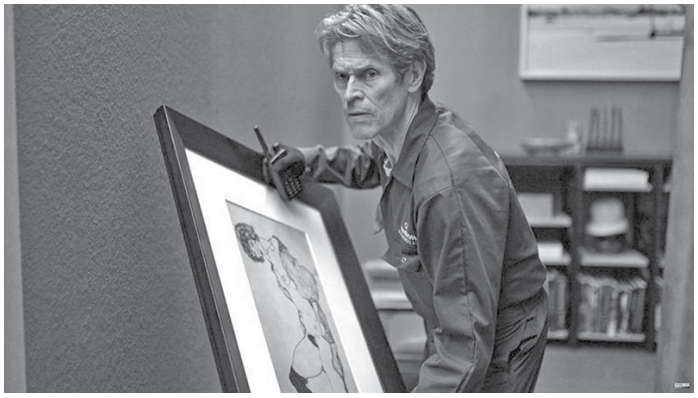

***Inside*. Starring Willem Dafoe. Directed by Vasilis Katsoupis. Running time: 105 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now available on streaming home media.**

To the question of which actor we'd most be willing to sit with solo through a 105-minute movie, Willem Dafoe is as fine an answer as any. The deep-dish survival thriller *Inside* casts Dafoe as Nemo, an art thief who gets dropped off by his cohorts via helicopter at a deluxe New York penthouse, whose owner, a high-end art collector, is away on business. Nemo is there to snag three Egon Schiele works; after finding two, he tries to skedaddle, but the place's security system locks him in, and his cohorts panic and leave him. For the remainder of our time with him, Nemo tries to dig, whittle, smash, unbolt, or otherwise dismantle his way free, when he's not singing to himself, fixing appetizing meals of raw, soggy pasta, spying on a cleaning lady, or starting to lose touch with reality.

We're not meant to ask why the cops don't show up when the alarm initially goes off. This isn't a beat-the-clock thriller. It's constructed to force Nemo, a failed artist, to confront himself. Thus we witness Nemo's devolution from crisply hyper-competent thief to shuffling, walking corpse who sings "I'm going to heaven on a hillside"over and over, looking like a bundled-up Howard Hughes. The script, by Ben Hopkins, based on an idea by director Vasilis Katsoupis, works metaphorically but draws yawns narratively; a viewer on Reddit opined that they were expecting a twist wherein Nemo was reduced to a work of performance art to amuse the penthouse owner and his buddies, but no such luck. The artsy doodles in the margins — the references to Schiele and William Blake, as well as the actual art (or copies thereof) on display — just feel like padding. If Nemo were just a good thief who had no particular artistic consciousness, this would be a very short movie.

Which may have been a better deal than what we get. *Inside* is not a bad film, not with Dafoe girding his loins and throwing his then-65-year-old body into the challenge. (As I've noted elsewhere, Dafoe has practiced ashtanga yoga for decades and could most likely run laps around people a quarter his age.) It's conceivable you could enjoy the film just on the level of watching Dafoe move around, change his posture as Nemo starts losing his bearings, grunt and whistle. It's a full, and fully physical, performance, and it deserves to be in a better film. To change things up, the filmmakers start tossing in dream sequences or hallucinations in which Nemo is allowed to interact with a couple of people; this almost feels like cheating, though it may have been meant as a reprieve from solitude — for us as well as for Nemo. (At least Tom Hanks in *Cast Away* had to rely on a gore-painted volleyball for company.)

Vasilis Katsoupis' direction is too literal, and not poetic enough, to put across the movie's ambition to be an art object itself. Given a reality that lingers on mundane problem-solving or physically plausible obstacles, we expect the narrative to be more nuts-and-bolts than it is; instead it slackens, loses its hold along with Nemo. It becomes a statement on how Nemo (Latin for "nobody") is trapped in a world to which he doesn't belong, which he can only consume parts of, or destroy other parts of on his way out. So basically Nemo is all of us, scooping beautiful fish out of an aquarium and eating it raw, or building tools while leaving a shambles of his surroundings. It begins to try our patience about forty minutes in, and it still has about an hour to go. I sighed a lot and was reduced to micro-scrutinizing Dafoe's performance, as it became the only point of interest. To revisit the question up at the top: yes, we would sit with this man solo through a 105-minute movie. But maybe not this one.

offering an introduction to vernal pools, this year through a field trip into the Woodcock Preserve.

On Saturday, **April 15** at 1:00 pm., we'll meet at the Tinkhamtown Woodlands parking area on Long Plain Road. We´ll then proceed a short distance on the MLT Woodcock trail to the vernal pool. Together we will have fun learning about vernal pools and exploring a beautiful one.

The exploration is free and open to all, including residents of other towns. Please wear appropriate clothing, including rubber boots. The exploration will take place rain or shine. See MLT's online event calendar to RSVP and follow on social media for more information and updates.

Marion's Annual Town Cleanup is on Earth Day

Looking for a fun & meaningful activity to get you (and your family) out of the house this Earth Day? The Marion Department of Public Works and Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of Marion Troop 32 will sponsor the town's annual Earth Day Cleanup.

The event will be held on Saturday, **April 22** from 9 am to 12 pm at Washburn Park on Front Street. Trash bags, gloves and safety vests will be provided.

In addition, Gifts to Give will have a trailer there to collect items for those in need. Please follow this link for a list of items they accept.

Lastly, as many of you know, the Scouts have lost a large amount of equipment and memorabilia in a fire at the beginning of the month of March. Donations will be accepted for The Camp Hadley Trust and scouts during this event as well. We hope to see you there.

Music at the MAC Spring Series

The Marion Art Center (the MAC) is pleased to announce its spring series of Music at the MAC with generous support through a Festivals & Projects grant provided by the Mass Cultural Council. View all concerts and register online at marionartcenter.org/music.

Only a few tickets remain for the MAC's first Unplugged in the MAC Gallery event with pianist Matt Richard and guitarist Donn Legge on Friday, **April 14** (second seating scheduled at 8:45 pm.) The cost is $12 for MAC members and $15 for nonmembers. Find a spot at a cabaret table to listen to a mix of jazz standards and original compositions by both artists. Guests will enjoy a refreshing atmosphere at this unplugged performance featuring mainly acoustic sound, without the volume and density of bass and drums often experienced during larger concerts in the MAC Theater. Guests may bring their own beverages and snacks to enjoy in this intimate setting.

Experience a night of original music performed by four talented singer/songwriters on the MAC stage on Saturday, **April 22** at 7:30 pm. The MAC's first edition of Songwriters in the Round will feature local musicians Richard Lewis, Molly O'Leary, Ric Allendorf and John Fernandes. Musicians will share the stage, taking turns performing original songs. During the first hour, guests will hear up to three songs per artist, followed by a 15-20 minute intermission where guests can meet and greet the artists. Finish off the night with two more songs from each artist and an informal Q&A opportunity after the show. Tickets are just $20 for MAC members and $25 for nonmembers.

Don't miss the Buttonwood Brass Prohibition Party on Saturday, **May 13** from 6:30-9:00 pm, just one of many events during SouthCoast Spring Arts at the MAC. Put together your 1920's attire and bring your favorite "bootleg" beverage of choice. Enjoy the MAC's speakeasy-cabaret atmosphere while listening to Buttonwood Brass, a versatile ensemble performing Jazz Standards, Classical, New Orleans, Roaring Twenties and the Great American Songbook from the Prohibition Era. Guests are encouraged to dress the part. Light snacks will be provided by the MAC. Tickets are just $15 per person for

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OBITUARIES

Samantha LeBlanc, of Mattapoisett and formerly of Falmouth, passed away on April 3, 2023.

Born on April 27, 1989 to Ronald and Mary (Botelho) LeBlanc. She was the mother of Adam O. Smith of Bourne. In addition to her parents and son, she is survived by her grandmother Cynthia Botelho of Falmouth, and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Visitation took place on Monday April 10, 2023 at Chapman Funerals & Cremations, Falmouth. A Funeral Mass took place on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at St. Anthony's Church, 167 East Falmouth Highway, East Falmouth. Burial followed at St. Anthony's Cemetery.

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, or by email at office@wanderer.com.

TriTown Happenings

Tri-Town youth baseball players are fundraising to pay for a trip to Cooperstown, New York, to visit the Baseball Hall of Fame. On April 7 on Cannon Street, three players sold sweet bread and potted plants to local residents. Enterprising players Nolan Cameron, Teddy Sanders and Owen Rider politely rang doorbells and knocked on doors in an attempt to pay their way to the Hall of Fame. Photo by Jennifer F. Shepley

Mattapoisett Congregational Church displays a banner announcing its status as a Just Peace church. Drew, and Lynne Nahigyan work with an entire committee of church members and community members focused on education, justice, climate and many other social issues. Photo courtesy of Jennifer F. Shepley

Daffodils are in bloom at the Church Street Extension off Route 6 in Mattapoisett. Photo courtesy of Jennifer F. Shepley

Pastor Richard Woodward welcomes the Patrick Henry College Chorale to the First Congregational Church of Marion. The group performed under the direction of Rodney Appleton. Photos courtesy of Janet Reinhart

The Marion Natural History Museum would like to thank David Orwig, forest ecologist with the Harvard Forest, for his wonderful presentation about Old Growth Forests on April 7. Orwig discussed some the tree species to look for and explained that the size of the tree does not matter when looking for truly old trees. He showed us how to determine the age of a tree, why the same species of tree might have different bark depending on age and why some of the oldest trees can be relatively small in size. A Vimeo link will be added to the museum's website shortly. The museum would also like to thank the Marion Cultural Council for their donation towards funding this event. Photo courtesy of Elizabeth Leidhold

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

this low cost Spring Arts event.

See New York-based band Hawthorne perform at the MAC on Friday, **May 19** at 7:30 pm (tickets are $20 for MAC members and $25 for nonmembers.) Musicians Nat Osborn and Aimee Bayles form this Folk-Americana band with a modern edge. Hawthorne's music weaves intricate vocal harmonies with contemporary folk melodies and arresting instrumentation. Their sound draws inspiration from folk legends Paul Simon, Gillian Welch, Patty Griffin and Alison Krauss as well as contemporary artists Fleet Foxes, Glen Hansard and Dawes. With Nat and Aimee's original songs taking center stage, the band includes long-time collaborator and cellist Karna Ray and a rotating cast of talented multi-instrumentalists.

Putnam Murdock & Friends return to the MAC stage on Saturday, **May 27** at 7:30 pm, with musician Merrick Brannigan as the opening act. Along with Colin Bradley on pedal steel, Kyle Spark on bass and Mark Purrington on drums, Murdock's tunes are realized in a new way. There is a sensitivity and touch where the players listen and create in the moment to create a solid sonic foundation but one that is malleable and patient. These players do not rely on their rehearsals to create repetition but to create the trust it takes to approach every song like it is brand new every time they perform. Merrick Brannigan is a 15-year-old singer/songwriter with a passion for all things music. He is an accomplished guitarist, pianist and vocalist. A former

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24 * Part of an internal-combustion engine
25 Take an ax to
26 Ornate wardrobe
28 Nice 'n Easy product
29 Shin locale
30 Stumblebum
33 Austrian cake
34 Up on the latest
37 "Binary" singer DiFranco
39 S. Amer. country
40 Much like
41 Calculus pioneer Leonhard
42 Hot temper
43 Scanned ID in a market
44 Cartoon pic
45 Twist, as in a hose
47 Dark deli loaf
48 City haze
49 The Browns, on sports tickers
50 Volunteer's response
52 Star pitchers
54 Getz of jazz
55 List-curtailing abbr.
56 Brief letter
57 Roofing material
59 Like an old apple's consistency
60 Bit of a script
61 Fear greatly
63 Longtime operating system
64 Spanish pot
65 Blackthorn fruits
66 Supplement
67 Word that can precede the starts of the answers to the five starred clues
69 Trousers
70 Car navig. aid
72 Owner of WordPerfect
73 Cato's "I love"
75 Brainteaser
79 Sacred spots
81 Soviet spacecraft series
86 "Lord Jim" novelist Joseph
87 * Buyer's final figure
88 Membrane covering a lung
89 Creole cooking pods
90 Temporarily stylish thing
91 Take to court
93 Leash, e.g.
94 Tony winner Schreiber
95 Roofing material
96 "It's so-so"
99 Winter illness
101 Director Preminger
102 Roof part
103 Mine car load
104 Yoko of art
105 Shark part
106 Sped
107 Genesis twin
109 Small stream
111 "Smooth Operator" singer
113 * Vessel for crustacean fishing
117 * Removes tenderly, as a lover's tears
122 City in central Illinois
123 Hawaii's nickname
124 Super-corny
125 Occupancy levies

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1 Talk smack to
2 Like official public statements
3 Freed from federal restrictions
4 Give off light
5 "Look, mice!"
6 Ripen
7 Lil Jon's genre
8 Around H'wood, e.g.
9 French card game
10 Actress Jane
11 One asked to attend a party
12 Less remote
13 Eye creepily
14 Thanksgiving mo.
15 Summer, to Jeanne
16 Form a lap
17 Tough
18 Many a virtual bidding event
19 Ork, Krypton or Melmac
20 Lion's home
27 Paris airport
29 "Righteously" singer Williams
30 Desk wood
31 Pseudonym
32 Groups for devotees
34 Vast Asian mountain system
35 Satirical device
36 Tent securer
38 Straight up, in a bar
46 Reeves of "The Matrix"
48 Fair booth
51 Straight up, in a bar
53 Sutured
54 Like altruists
55 Singer Fitzgerald
58 Obtain by threatening
59 Singer Rita
62 Church teachings
65 Film holders
68 Rock's Clapton
71 Launching platform
74 Star athlete, for short
75 Place to learn, in Lyon
76 Smartphone company
77 The opposite way
78 Cemetery plot
79 Animal trap
80 Pack full
82 Information group for analysis
83 Big name in car cleaning products
84 Speechify
85 "Thwack!"
90 Remote
92 Moniker for a Yale student
95 Coverer of a bald spot
96 Unlike gods
97 Brian of Roxy Music
98 Pipe with a flexible tube
100 Open, as a Ziploc bag
108 Band blasters
109 Renege (on)
110 Drug bust unit
112 Mgr.'s helper
113 "Wait a —!"
114 "In your face!"
115 Actor Saget
116 Singer Rita
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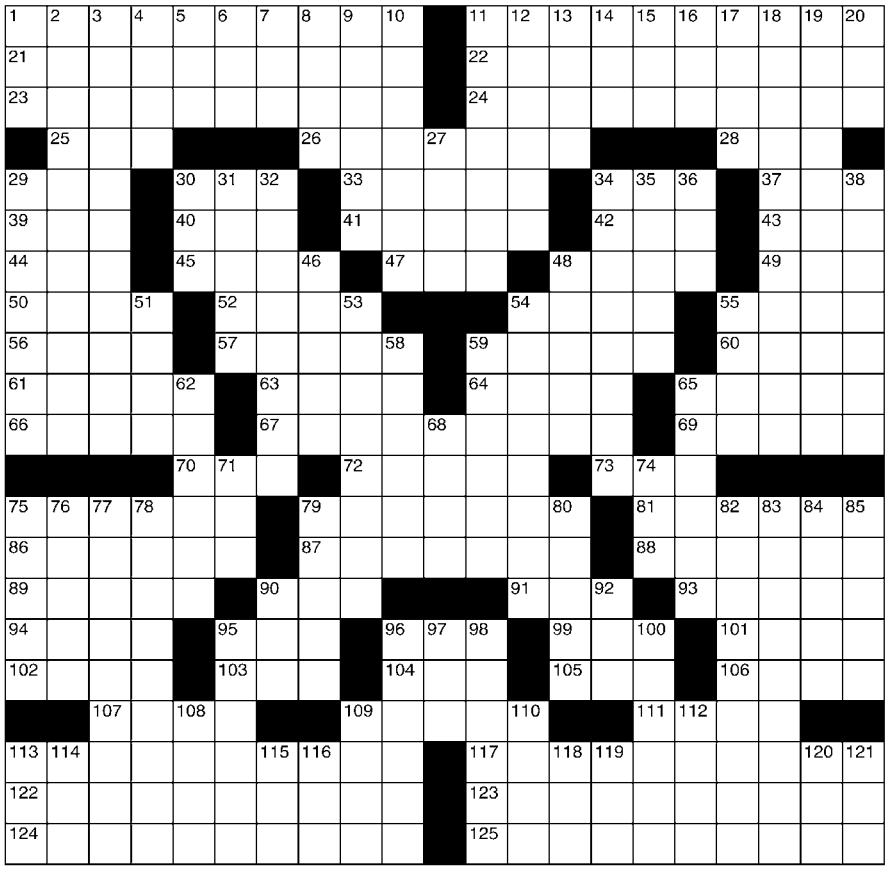
119 That girl
120 Supped
121 "Definitely!"



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Change is still dominant for Rams and Ewes, both in the workplace and in their private lives. This is also a good time to look at a possible relocation if that has been one of your goals.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Doing things for others is what you do well. But don't forget that Bovines thrive on the arts, so make some time for yourself to indulge your passion for music and artistic expression.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) While the Romantic Twin considers where to go for an upcoming vacation, the Practical Twin will start making travel plans now to take advantage of some great bargains.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your sensitive nature helps you deal with a difficult emotional situation. Be patient and continue to show your sincere support wherever (and for whomever) it is needed.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're making progress as you move through some unfamiliar territory. And while there might be a misstep or two along the way, you're heading in the right direction overall. Good luck.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Some good news arrives -- and just in time to remind you that you're making progress. Perhaps things aren't moving as quickly as you'd prefer, but they're progressing nevertheless.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) This is a good week to step back and assess the facts that have recently emerged, to see where they can be used to your advantage. Also, don't hesitate to make changes where necessary.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You should begin to experience some support from those who now agree with your point of view. This should help counter the remaining objections from die-hard skeptics.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Don't let your aim be deflected by trivial matters as you try to resolve a confusing situation. Take time to find and thoroughly assess the facts before making any decisions.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The possibility of moving to another location has come up. But, before you dismiss it as unworkable, it's worth checking out just in case it does have some merit after all.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) New relationships, personal or work-related, show mixed signals. Best to assume nothing. Let things play themselves out until you have something substantive to work with.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your ability to make needed changes without causing too much, if any, negative ripple effect comes in handy when dealing with a sensitive matter either on the job or in the family.

BORN THIS WEEK: Although you like things to go smoothly, you're not shy about making waves when you believe the situation calls for it.

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Nantucket resident, his music career began when he won Nantucket's Got Talent in 2019.

View all concerts and register online at marionartcenter.org/music.

Bluegrass Band at the Mattapoisett Museum

Mark your calendars, music lovers. On Saturday, **April 29**, the Mattapoisett Museum is hosting an epic event that you wouldn't want to miss. Come and join Four Bridges, a New England-based Bluegrass band, as they perform live at the museum.

Let us introduce you to the talented band members:

Jeremy Place is a music educator, plays mandolin, guitar and banjo and sings. He writes songs and bakes bread at night after tucking his kids in for bed.

Benjamin Marshall, who plays banjo, guitar, mandolin, fiddle, bass and sings, grew up listening to Flatt & Scruggs, and his love for bluegrass shows in his performances.

Greg Ferreira, a classically trained pianist, is also a skilled mandolin, guitar, banjo, harmonica, fiddle, bass player and singer. Bill Monroe & the Stanleys inspired him to play bluegrass.

Lastly, we have Nelson Hiller, a talented songwriter from Mattapoisett, who plays bass, mandolin and guitar and sings. He's known for his infectious energy that gets everyone in the mood for some bluegrass fun.

This is an event for everyone, so bring your family and friends. As Nelson Hiller says, "We'll have you dancing, crying, hootin' and hollerin'." Four Bridges is a well-seasoned band that loves to perform, and their passion shines through in their music. Doors open at 7 pm, and the show starts at 7:30 pm. Tickets are $15 for general admission. Patron and Sustainer level Mattapoisett Museum members get 10% off two tickets for this event.

For more information, please visit the museum's website, www.mattapoisettmuseum.org/events to learn more and to purchase tickets. Get your tickets now, and let's have a night full of bluegrass music. Contact info@mattapoisettmuseum.org with any questions.

Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

Lego Club Tuesdays at 4 pm - Our Lego Club is back. All kids are welcome to join us for some open-ended play time. Create your masterpiece.

Air Dry Clay Coasters Workshop. Part 1 Thursday **April 13** at 6 pm Create your clay coasters; Part 2 Thursday, **April 20** at 6 pm Paint and seal your designs. Create a set of coasters out of air dry clay, then paint and seal your design for a unique coaster set. For teens and adults. Register for this free program at the library.

SAILS Library Network Road Trip. **April 18 to 21 -**

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TOWN OF MARION
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #811

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, April 27, 2023 in the conference room of the Marion Police Station, 550 Mill Street, on the application of Theodore S. Duncan, for a Special Permit under section 230-6.1(c) of the zoning by-law to allow for the replacement of a dwelling which will improve the existing non-conforming setbacks, and not increase the height more than 10 per cent.

The property, located at 17A Pine Grove Lane, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 23 as Lot 20.

Cynthia Callow, Chairperson 4/6, 4/13

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing for the petition of Carl H. MacDermott III, for property located at 128 Dexter Lane, identified on Assessor's Map 6, Lot 11E, who is seeking the following:

• Petition #1190 for a Special Permit for the approval of the conversion of the basement into an additional dwelling unit, under Chapter 20.40, Section F.9.

• Petition #1191 for a Variance for minimum required lot area of 105,000 sq. ft. and a Variance for minimum required lot frontage of 300 ft, under Chapter 20.40, Section E.16.

The public hearing will be on April 27, 2023 at 7:00 pm as a hybrid meeting at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA and also on Zoom.

Copies of the application are on file at the Building Department, 37 Marion Rd. and can be viewed during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83988700485
Meeting ID: 839 8870 0485
One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923

David Arancio, Chairman 4/6, 4/13

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room; 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted) New format of meetings; start time is 6:00 pm **THIS MEETING WILL BE IN PERSON ON April 20, 2023**

Case #1514: Application of: Andrew Perkins, 308 Converse Road, Marion , MA 02738; RE:10 Pinehurst Avenue. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit, as provided by Article 6.,Table 6.5 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a new 12X24 addition. The property is further described as Plot 14A, Lot 124 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held on Thursday, April 20, 2023.

Case #1515: Application of: Chase Wingate, 42 River Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739; RE:42 River Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit, as provided by Article 5.,Section 5.1.5.4.3 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a Family Related Apartment. The property is further described as Plot 17, Lot 73 on the assessor's map. The hearing will be held on Thursday April 20, 2023.

Case #1516: Application of: Mark T. & Kelly E. Hall, 16 Brownfield Drive, Bridgewater, MA 02324; RE:0 Laurel Street. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit, as provided by Article 6.2.2., of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a Single-Family Home. The property is further described as Plot 5A, Lot 34 on the assessor's map. The hearing will be held on Thursday April 20, 2023.

Case #1517: Application and Petition of: David Halle, 37 Mast Hill Road, Hingham, MA 02043; RE:23 Grand View Avenue. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit, as provided by Article 3, Section 3.2.2 and a Variance as provided by Article 6, Table 6.5., of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to construct a 28X32 Detached garage. The property is further described as Plot 15B, Lot 78&80 on the assessor's map. The hearing will be held on Thursday April 20, 2023.

Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.

Sincerely,
Susan Akin, Chairperson
Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottler, Anthony Tranfaglia, Jordan Rodrigues 4/6, 4/13

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
INVITATION TO BID

Buzzards Bay Stormwater Retrofits Project, Jerusalem Road, Fairhaven, MA

Location of Work: Town of Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Sealed Bids for construction of the Buzzards Bay Stormwater Retrofits Project, Jerusalem Road will be received by the Public Works Department in Fairhaven, Massachusetts until 10:00 am, April 20, 2023 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and bids read aloud. Bids submitted after this time will not be accepted. The work involves the following major item(s):

The project consists of the construction of Stormwater Retrofits that include both soft and hard edged bioretention areas at four sites along a 1,350 linear foot section of Jerusalem Road.

Contract Documents may be viewed and downloaded as a Portable Document Format (PDF) file free of charge on or after Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at www.accentblueprints.com. Printed copies may be obtained for fee by completing an order online or calling 978-362-8038 for each set. Completed orders may be picked up at the office of Accent Blueprints located at 99 Chelmsford Road, (Rear#13) North Billerica, Ma 01862 from 9 am to 4 pm. Printed copies may also be shipped to prospective bidders for an additional charge to cover handling and mailing fees. All payments for printing and shipping are non-refundable. To be added to the project plan holder's list to guarantee receipt of addenda, it is recommended interested bidders obtain the Contract Documents directly from Accent Blueprints. Interested bidders will be prompted to register an email address with Accent Blueprints to access the documents.

Each bidder must be prequalified in accordance with 720 CMR 5.00, "Prequalification of Contractors" by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Highway Division (MassDOT Highway Division) with the class of work as "Drainage" prior to the award of the project with an estimated value of $318,000 is required.

BID SECURITIES shall be in amount of 5% of the bid and in the form of a certified check drawn upon a bank within the State of Massachusetts or a bid bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in Massachusetts, made payable to the OWNER.

The successful bidder must furnish a 100% PERFORMANCE and PAYMENT BOND and will be required to execute the Contract Agreement within five (5) days following notification of the acceptance of his Bid. The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept any bid, to waive any informality on bids received, and to omit any item or items deemed advisable for the best interests of the OWNER. Bids are subject to Massachusetts-M.G.L. Chapter 30-Section 39M, and to Massachusetts minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. Chapter 149- Sections 26 to 27H inclusive. All costs associated with the preparation of the bids shall be the responsibility of the bidder, regardless of whether or not the Contract is awarded.

In accordance with Article 9 of the General Conditions, the work to be performed under this Contract shall be commenced on the date designated in the Notice to Proceed. All work related to the construction of Buzzards Bay Stormwater Retrofits Project shall be completed by June 30, 2023 within 45 calendar days. 4/13

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Chapter 76, Section 12B of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a public hearing of the Rochester School Committee regarding school choice for the 2023-2024 school year at 6:30 pm, on Thursday, May 4, 2023. This meeting will be held at the Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street, Rochester, MA 02770. This meeting will be conducted in a hybrid format. Public is able to attend in person or via zoom.

https://oldrochester-org.zoom.us/j/93949609343?pwd=OG5XWXFxeXFlK2pGczc1RStTNE1sZz09
Meeting ID: 939 4960 9343
Passcode: 476078

If you need additional login information, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 508-758-2772 ext. 1956. 4/13

TOWN OF MATTAPOISSETT
CONSERVATION COMMISION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Robert & Lisa J. Barboza. The meeting will or may also be a hybrid meeting. Please contact the Conservation Commission for the Zoom information.

The Applicants propose Beach Nourishment consisting of the placement of 50 cubic yards of sand over a 5,400 sq. ft. area of Coastal Beach. The work will also occur within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (E1. 20).

The project is located at 5 and 7 Shore View Avenue which is further identified as Lot #26 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #12. 4/16

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Visit libraries in the SAILS library network for special events and activities. Get your library passport stamped and make a miniature library.

The Elizabeth Taber Library is now a member of the Library Speakers Consortium. Each month we will announce new in depth author talks that you can stream in your own home. Check out our website for more information. This month: Thursday **April 27** at 8 pm – William Kent Krueger, New York Times Bestselling Author of Ordinary Grace, This Tender Land and Lighting Strike.

Coping with the Loss of a Pet Program **April 27** at 6:30-7:30 - Join us in welcoming Susan Holt, DVM and Veterinary Chaplain Kelly Drescher Johnson, B.A., M.Div., to speak about coping with the loss of a pet and provide helpful strategies and resources for people mourning an animal companion. Local pet photographer Jennifer Carroll will discuss her involvement with The Tilly Project, an end-of life pet photography network which connects pet owners with photographers, and provides supportive resources for photography, anticipatory grief and pet loss. Admission is free. Seating is limited, so please call to register, or sign up at the library.

For more information on the Elizabeth Taber Library, visit us at www.ElizabethTaberLibrary.org or call us at 508-748-1252.

Rabies Clinic

A rabies clinic for cats and dogs will be held on Sunday, **April 23** from 10 am until 12 noon at the old Mattapoisett Fire Station which is located at 26 County Road. The fee for the vaccination is $15. Cats must be in carriers and dogs must be leashed. Dog licensing for Mattapoisett residents will be offered. License fees are $12 for intact animals and $9 for those that have been altered. Payment by cash or check only will be accepted. This clinic is open to all regardless of residency. Please bring proof of prior rabies vaccination if a 3-year shot is desired.

Feathers and Fins

Come to the Mattapoisett Free Public Library to view local artist Wendy Goldsmith's pottery exhibit, "Feathers and Fins" between **April 15 and May 14**. Most of the pieces incorporate birds or fish in their design. Goldsmith has created art all her life. Making ceramics for 30 years. Goldsmith has learned that working in clay involves many art forms such as designing, painting and sculpting. There is always more to learn, different materials to explore and the unexpected happens, making it fun and exciting. Crafting a piece of pottery starts with an idea, then a drawing, and many different processes are employed. Sometimes Goldsmith creates transfers, sometimes she paints directly with underglazes. All of her work is hand-built and food-safe. She is inspired by the shapes and personalities of the piece which dictates what appears on the surface such as birds, flowers and fish. Goldsmith wants her art to be a part of everyday life. The ceramic piece should be something to hold, pour from, drink from and be a beautiful way to serve favorite foods. She includes little surprises the owner finds when a butter dish is opened or an extra decoration is at the bottom of the cups or a soap dish – all bringing a smile to the owner's face. Goldsmith earned a BFA in printmaking and Masters in Art Teaching from UMass Amherst, but also took ceramics classes. Goldsmith then went to clay, but still uses printmaking techniques in her process. She has taken many workshops at the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts and the Castle Hill Art Center. She has participated in the Art Drive Studio Tour for many years as well as exhibited in various regional shows. One of her ceramic pieces was exhibited in the Boston MFA "Art in Bloom" exhibit.

The exhibit is free, and the library is accessible to all.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club Tag Sale

In these days of minimal spending, who doesn't like finding a really good bargain?

If you're a bargain hunter, come see us to find your treasure at the Mattapoisett Woman's Club's Tag Sale on Saturday, **May 6**. We'll be in the parking lot between the Ying Dynasty and Harriet's at 22 County Road (Route 6) in Mattapoisett with all the treasures we've collected for the sale.

The MWC's Tag Sale will start promptly at 9:00 am, no early birds, please, and will run until 12:00 noon. If it rains, we'll be in the same spot at the same times, the next day on Sunday, May 7. Cash and/or checks only will be accepted as payment for all the good stuff you find.

All proceeds from the Tag Sale benefit the Mattapoisett Woman's Club's Scholarship Fund. For more information about this event, the Woman's Club or the MWC's Scholarship Fund, check the Club's website at mattapoisettwomansclub.org.

Boating Safety Classes

Marion Harbormaster's Office will be hosting two Boating Safety Classes in April and May. The classes are held at the Marion Police Station 8 hours on Saturday and

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TOWN OF MATTAPOISSETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Dennis Arsenault. The meeting will also be a hybrid meeting. Please contact the Conservation Commission for the Zoom information.

The Applicant proposes to construct a single family dwelling and driveway, to install a well, sewage disposal system and underground utilities and to fill and grade.

The proposed work will be performed within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (E1. 17) & partially within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of an offsite Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

The property is located on Brandt Island Road and is further identified as Lot #22 on Assessors Map #14B. 4/16

TOWN OF MATTAPOISSETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Earl W. Miranda. The meeting will or may also be a hybrid meeting. Please contact the Conservation Commission for the Zoom information.

The Applicant proposes to construct a 24'x 24' garage and to perform site improvements which include relocating a gazebo and fire pit and planting trees.

The proposed work will be performed within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (E1. 17) & partially within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of an offsite Bordering Vegetated Wetland and Salt Marsh.

The property is known as 28 Meadowbrook Lane and is further identified as Lot #32 on Assessors Map #14. 4/16

TOWN OF MARION
SELECT BOARD
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Select Board will hold a "Pre-Town Meeting" public hearing at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion, on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 6:45 pm to review the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting which will be held on May 8, 2023.

Randy L. Parker, Chair 4/13

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by Michael A. Esposito & Cynthia A. Redel.

The meeting will also be a hybrid meeting. Please contact the Conservation Commission for the Zoom information

The Applicants propose to install 230 ft. of storm drainage pipe within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zones AE (E1. 16) and VE (E1. 18).

The address where the activity will occur is 18 Ned's Point Road which is further identified as Lot #116A on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #7. 4/13

TOWN OF MARION
COLLECTOR OF TAXES
NOTICE OF TAX TAKING

The owners of occupants of the following described parcels of land situated in the Town of Marion in the County of Plymouth and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public, are hereby notified that the taxes thereon, severally assessed for the year hereinafter specified, according to the list committed to me as the Collector of Taxes for the Town of Marion by the Board of Assessors of said town, remain unpaid, and that said parcel(s) of land, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 60, Section 53, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Collector of Taxes, it is my intent to take for the Town of Marion on the 27th day of April, 2023 at 10 o'clock am at Marion Town House the following parcels of land for non-payment of taxes due thereon, with demand, interest and all legal costs and charges to the date of taking, unless the same shall be previously discharge. All plans referred to are on file in the Assessor's Office.

FISHER LAUREN,
LAND located at FRONT ST in MARION, containing 11.270 ACRES shown on Assessor's Map 00230041E, recorded at PLYMOUTH COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS - Book/Page 39681/0029. Tax for FY-2022 $217.76. 4/13

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN
BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for the construction of the "Goulart Bridge Repair Project" will be received by the Bureau of Public Works Office, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 until 3:00 pm local time on April 27, 2023 at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. Sealed Bids must have outer envelope marked as "Goulart Bridge Repair Project."

The work consists of repairs to variable size concrete spalls on the existing precast concrete beams of the Goulart Bridge. The project also includes removal and replacement of damaged water main insulation on the north side of the bridge and additional repairs to the water main as determined by the Engineer upon removal of the insulation. Bids shall be on a unit price basis.

All Bids for this project are subject to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30, Section 39M as amended.

Bidding Documents can be obtained electronically from the Tighe & Bond website at: http://www.tighebond.com/Projects_Out_to_Bid.php.

Prospective bidders must complete a one-time registration process on the web site in order to receive log-in credentials. Bidders must log in to the web site to download bidding documents for the project. Bidders will be added to the "planholders" or prospective bidders list upon downloading the bidding documents for the project.

A bid deposit shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Minimum Wage Rates as determined by the Commissioner of Department of Workforce Development under the provision of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 to 27D, as amended, apply to this project. It is the responsibility of the Contractor, before Bid opening, to request if necessary, any additional information on Minimum Wage Rates for those trades people who may be employed for the proposed Work under this Contract.

An optional pre-Bid conference will be held at the Bureau of Public Works Office, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA on April 19, 2023 at 10:00 am with a weather reschedule date of April 20, 2023 at 10:00 am. 4/13

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 7:05 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Zoom (Hybrid Meeting Option), on a Request for an Amended Order of Conditions, SE 041-1389, submitted by Jonathan G. & Jill J. Castle to raze the remaining 2-story portion of the original house and relocate existing or install new septic tank at 406 Point Road.

The site is further identified as Lot 16 on Marion Assessors' Map 2. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Jeffrey J. Doubrava, Chair
*Please contact Terri Santos at 508-748-3517 or tsantos@marionma.gov the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV, and participants can call in any questions or comments. 4/13

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 7:15 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Zoom (Hybrid Meeting Option), on a Request for Determination of Applicability, submitted by Stone Rooster Realty Corp., LLC, for a retaining wall and front entrance stoop with handicap ramp at 27 Wareham Street.

The site is further identified as Lot 21B on Marion Assessors' Map 9. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Shaun P. Walsh, Chair
*Please contact Terri Santos at 508-748-3517 or tsantos@marionma.gov the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 4/13

TOWN OF MARION
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Marion, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids for a Paving Materials Bid Contract No. 2023-1. There are two possible option year extensions.

MassDOT Prequalification is required and Prevailing Wage Laws apply to this bid.

Bids subject to MGL c.30 §39M and

4 hours on Sunday.

The classes are as follows:

April 22, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm and **April 23**, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

May 20, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm and **May 21**, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

There will be a half-hour lunch break, bring your own lunch. You have to be 12 or older to sign up for this course.

You need to go to the website www.mass.gov/take-a-boating-safety-course to register online for one of these courses.

If you have any questions, please call our office at 508-748-3535 and press #5.

Rochester Historical Society

A lot is on the calendar for the Rochester Historical Society in the upcoming months.

April 19's meeting is Rochester's Past Celebrations 7:00 at the museum 355 County Rd.

May 7 at 2:00 in front of Town Hall, we will join with the Rochester Historical Commission to dedicate our new Revolutionary War Memorial

May 17, Nettie Hopkins will be talking Bees 7:00 at the Museum

June 11 at 1:00 we will be touring the Center Cemetery to explore what we didn't get to last year

June 21, Charles Rowley will be presenting "Mapping Rochester" again 7:00 at the Museum

This is just a quick look at what will be happening this year with more to come.

SouthCoast Spring Arts at the MAC

SouthCoast Spring Arts returns to the Marion Art Center (the MAC) with seven events during the regional festival scheduled **May 5-14**. SouthCoast Spring Arts is a 10-day event celebrating the arts in our communities by connecting innovative, creative and affordable art and cultural events in communities across the region, from Fall River to Wareham. Spring Arts events at the MAC are hands-on, interactive and are offered at low cost or for free. View all MAC events at www.marionartcenter.org/scspringarts.

The MAC will kick off the festival with the MAC Readers' Theater & Open Mic with Luncheon, at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center on Friday, **May 5** from 12:00-2:00 pm. The MAC Readers' Theater Group will present a series of poems, skits, short stories and excerpts. The program will begin at noon with a lunch prepared by the Community Center's chef, followed by a 1:00 pm Readers' Theater performance. Members of the audience can join the fun, too, reading short pieces, poems, or excerpts during an "open mic" portion later in the program. Material should be submitted ahead of time for consideration by emailing Jack Boesen at jackboesen@gmail.com. The cost is just $5 per person for lunch. To register, contact the Community Center by calling 508-748-3570 by Wednesday, **May 3** at 12:00 pm. Those who wish to skip lunch and attend just the readers' theater portion starting at 1:00 pm may do so free of charge.

Attend a Paint and Sip Workshop with artist Barbara Healy on Saturday, **May 6**, 1:00-3:00 pm at the Marion Art Center. Paint your own version of a beautiful sailboat in this fun workshop. We'll paint together using water-based acrylics on canvas. Barbara and her assistant will guide you through each step of the process as you get in touch with your inner artist and enjoy sipping wine along the way. Everyone's sailboat will be a little different. You'll leave with a painting and maybe some new favorite wines. You must be 21 or older to register. Please wear clothes you can paint in. In case of rain, the class workshop will move to the MAC studio. The cost is $30 per person and includes all materials and wine tasting. Register at marionartcenter.org/events.

See a film screening in the MAC's Anne Braitmayer Webb Theater. The Sippican Historical Society will present Frederick Wiseman's film EX LIBRIS – The New York Public Library on Saturday, **May 6**, 3:00-6:30 pm at the MAC. EX LIBRIS goes behind the scenes of one of the greatest knowledge institutions in the world and reveals it as a place of welcome, cultural exchange and learning. With 92 locations throughout Manhattan, the Bronx and Staten Island, the library is committed to being a resource for all the inhabitants of this multifaceted and cosmopolitan city, and beyond. During intermission, learn more about our local institution, the Elizabeth Taber Library, presented in the context of the traditional and modern roles of libraries as discussed in the film. Guests may bring their own snacks or beverages to enjoy, and popcorn will be provided by the MAC. Total runtime of film: 197 minutes. This event is free, but registration is required.

Take a Tap Dancing Workshop for adults (ages 15+ also welcome) with MAC Dance Academy's program leader Teah Keogh on Thursday, **May 11** from 6:00-7:30 pm. This workshop is for adults who need to tap out of "adulating." Want more happiness and bit less seriousness added to your week? This one-hour tap class provides percussive playtime for adults (and teens ages 15 and up) that "taps" into our inner courage, creativity and strengthens our physical and mental health. This basic level beginner tap class is geared toward those

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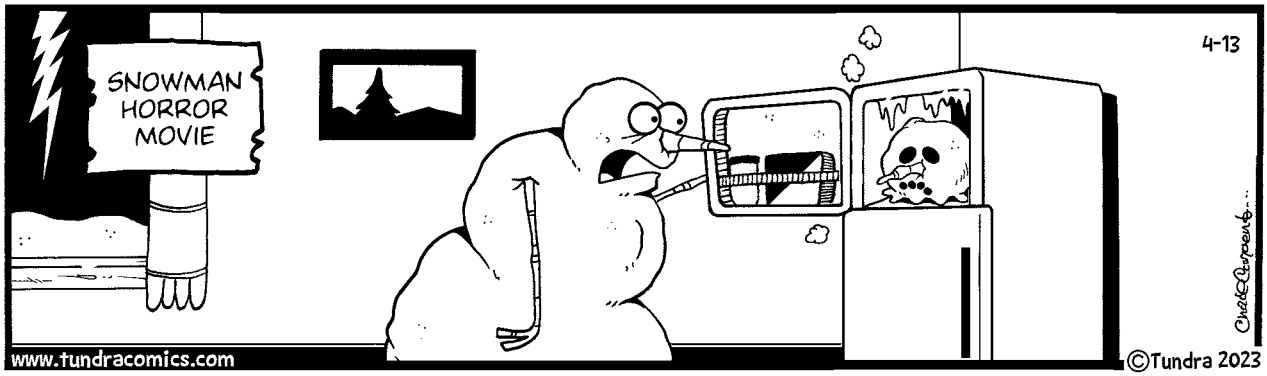

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Head to the MAC on Friday, **May 12** from 5:00-7:00 pm for the opening reception of our new exhibit featuring paintings by Anne Carrozza Remick and Stephen Remick. See Anne Remick's still life paintings which celebrate the beauty found in "the solitude of simple objects" through her use of expressive color and unexpected composition.

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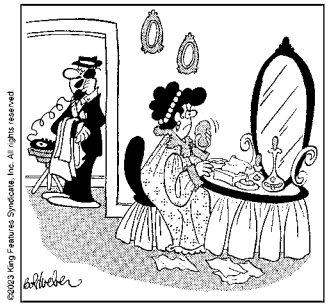

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Paintings by Stephen Remick include landscapes, plein air paintings, and some figurative works that capture the "backyard and beyond." Anne and Steve both graduated from Swain School of Design and currently live together in Dartmouth. The show runs **May 12-June 24**. Guests will have the opportunity to meet the artists and ask questions. The reception is free and open to the public.

See an original play presented by the MAC Theater Playwrights Incubator (MTPI), An Hour with Eleanor on Saturday, **May 13** from 3:00-4:30 pm. MTPI is pleased to present a new play by first time playwright Cynthia Krause. Krause was selected for the inaugural year of the MTPI program for her short play, a one-woman performance titled An Hour with Eleanor. It is a fictional telling of the life of Eleanor Roosevelt, based on historical events. The play explores a life of joys and sorrows experienced by this controversial political figure who, along with being the wife of an American president, was a catalyst for social change in her own right. Audience members follow her life's journey working toward the betterment of her world. Mentors for the first year of the MTPI program include Maura Van Voris and Richard Van Voris. The play is directed by Richard Van Voris and features Linda Monchik as Eleanor Roosevelt. Guests will enjoy this debut tea time performance followed by an informal discussion with the director, actor, and playwright, plus light refreshments. The cost to attend is $8 per person.

Attend a Prohibition Party (BYOB) with Buttonwood Brass on Saturday, **May 13** from 6:30-9:00 pm. Put together your 1920's attire and bring your favorite "bootleg" beverage of choice. Enjoy the MAC's speakeasy-cabaret atmosphere in the MAC Theater and galleries while listening to Buttonwood Brass, a versatile ensemble performing Jazz Standards, Classical, New Orleans, Roaring Twenties and the Great American Songbook from the Prohibition Era. Guests are encouraged to dress the part. Light snacks will be provided by the MAC. The cost to attend is $15 per person. Learn more and register for events at marionartcenter.org/events.

Purrington Lecture Series

Join the Mattapoisett Free Public Library on Sunday, **April 16** from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm in welcoming award-winning cookbook author, Terry Walters, as she shares her easy-to-grasp approach to healthy home cooking with an educational presentation, a cooking demonstration and a tasting from her newest cookbook, Nourish. The cookbook includes easy home-fermented foods, superfoods and abundant information and tips to support sustainable good health and nourishment. Bring your appetite, your questions and a desire to learn and leave inspired and empowered to make your physical and mental health a top priority. The program will include sales of Terry's latest cookbook, Nourish, as well as a book signing. Walters, a best-selling cookbook author and recipient of national book awards is an educator, consultant and speaker who has taught cooking and wellness worldwide for 20 years. This program, sponsored by the Mattapoisett Library Trust, is open to the public, and the library is accessible to all.

Cushing Cemetery

Cushing Cemetery is holding a meeting at the Mattapoisett Library on **April 15** at 1 pm. The meeting will be downstairs and is open to the public.

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Anybody who has an interest in Cushing Cemetery, wants to be on the board of trustees, wants to volunteer to help out with the cleanup and maintenance of the cemetery or just wants to learn about the cemetery, please come to the meeting.

Wareham Garden Club

The Arbor Day Festival will once again be presented by the Wareham Garden Club **April 18** from 10 am to 2 pm at A.D. Makepeace Company, 158 Tihonet Road, Wareham. The Festival this year will celebrate the pivotal role that trees play in our environment and in our conservation efforts. It will include free tree saplings and instructions for planting successfully.

There will be an abundance of educational events: interactive butterfly lecture with Blake Dinius, the Plymouth County entomologist; a flower arranging demonstration with flower show judge, Christine Decas; seed planting table for kids with veteran gardeners sharing their gardening knowledge; recycling education and ideas to make recycling fun for the family; Master Gardener Joyce Holster will be answering your questions on trees and your gardening questions in general.

With a renewed effort to make this an event fun for the whole family, the club has expanded their events for kids. These will include the Plant Mobile from the Mass Horticultural Society with Children's Programs on Pollinators, story time by Wareham Free Library's children's librarian Marcia Hickey, a Craft Table with face painting and an interactive information table by the Wareham Land Trust. The garden club is grateful for the funding support of the Wareham Community Events Committee which helped make this event possible. This is a rain or shine event, and the club is excited to have the community's involvement.

Iconic Tour de Crème Bike Ride Returns

Clear your schedule and mark your calendars: on Sunday, **May 21,** the Tour de Crème bike ride returns for its fifth year. After three years hiatus due to the pandemic, the Mattapoisett Land Trust and the Friends of the Mattapoisett Rail Trail are thrilled to run this event once again.

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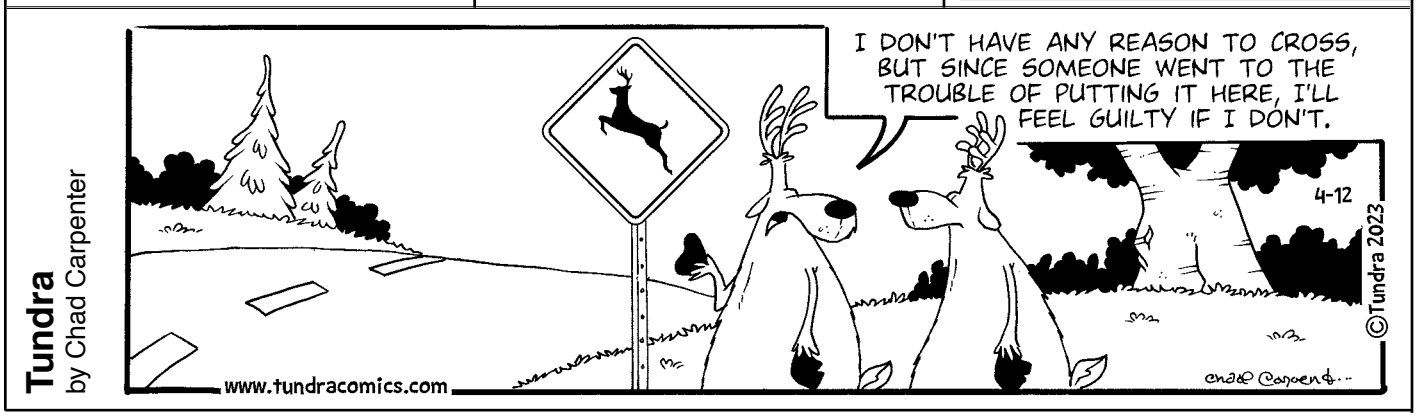

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Registration is now open until **May 15,** and rides tend to fill up quickly, so visit tourdecreme.org to register and learn more.

Not interested in riding? There are many different volunteer opportunities available; visit the volunteer page of the website to sign up. Fund-raising is also encouraged for riders and nonriders alike. This fantastically fun event is a fund-raiser for the Mattapoisett Land Trust and the Friends of the Mattapoisett Rail Trail who work to improve and expand hiking and biking trails throughout Mattapoisett.

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High Tea & Treasures Road Show, hosted by The First Congregational Church of Marion on Saturday **May 6**, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm, will be held at the Community Center, 44 Front Street. Typical of the traditional English Afternoon Tea of fancy cakes, pastries, finger sandwiches and sweets; delicious, steeped tea will be served to

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Joan Noyer	April 14
Palmeda Daggett	April 14
James Moran	April 15
John F. Fedak	April 15
Marc Duval	April 15
Dick Gonneville	April 16
Meg Hughes	April 16
Molly Richards	April 16
Tom Aleks	April 16
Brent Lestage	April 17
John Oldham	April 17
Kelsey Callahan	April 17
Andrew Eilertsen	April 18
Betty Lee Owen	April 18
Danny Hartley	April 18
Elizabeth Owen	April 18
Paula Franco	April 18
Shawn Marie Sweet	April 18
Abigail Forcier	April 19
Dominic Philie	April 19
Mark Hathaway	April 19
Verna Reed	April 19

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Gallery seating is available for $10 per item being reviewed and may be purchased at the door the day of the event.

Additional information is available on the Church's website: www.marionfirstchurch.org.

ORCTV Annual Meeting

ORCTV will hold its Annual Meeting on Thursday, **April 27** at the ORCTV studio. The meeting will begin at 5:30 pm and will include the election of officers to the Old Rochester Community Television Board of Directors. All current ORCTV station members are invited and

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A PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

O Most Beautiful Flower of Mt. Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). O Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Amen. Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish; it will be granted to you. R.A.F.

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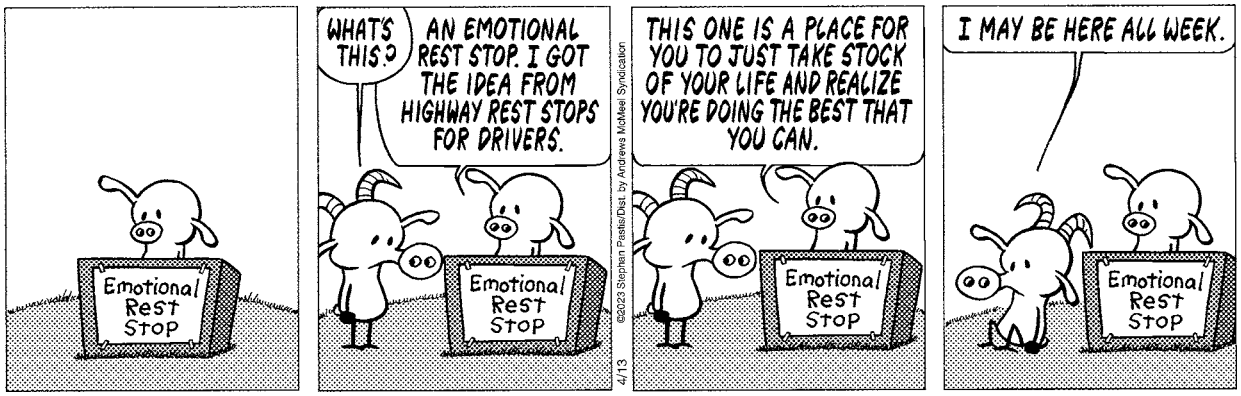

encouraged to attend.

The nominees for 2023 are:
Phil Sanborn – Marion seat
Danny White – Mattapoisett seat
Kendall Smiley – Rochester seat
Nancy Sparklin – Membership Seat

Yoga at the Marion Art Center

The Marion Art Center will present a yoga new series on Tuesday mornings beginning in April in the MAC's Patsy Francis Gallery (upstairs.) Enjoy an hour of yoga while viewing beautiful artwork in the gallery. Instructor Jo Norton will lead four weeks of yoga classes on Tuesday mornings, 11:00 am-12:00 pm, **April 18 and 25**. Students can sign up for all four sessions or choose from four dates. The cost for MAC Members is $20 per session or $70 for all 4 weeks. The cost for nonmembers $25 per session or $85 for all 4 weeks. Learn more and register online at marionartcenter.org/events. Space is limited to 10 students, and early registration is recommended.

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Jo Norton is a life-long fitness enthusiast. She is retired from her role as VP, Global Head of HR and is excited to devote herself fulltime to her passion for fitness. Jo has spent years studying body movement, yoga, Pilates, barre and weight training. Jo holds multiple certifications and has completed coursework in Anatomy and Physiology at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Real Estate Transactions

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Buyer(s)	Seller(s)	Address	City	Date	Price
Stewart, David A Stewart, Ciera A	Reade Irrevocable Trust Hirst, Leonard T A II TR	11 Olivers Ln	Mattapoisett	03/22/2023	600,000.00
Long Built Homes Inc	Clapp, William D Clapp, Lisa L	Clapp Rd Lot 7-1	Rochester	03/22/2023	190,000.00
Reeves, Sidney Rosati, Danielle	Paulding, Donna R Paulding-miguel, Donna Miguel, Filipe	25 Gerrish Rd	Rochester	03/23/2023	610,000.00
May, Brandon Edward May, Kayleigh Eryn	Chamberlain, Adam N	30 Clapp Rd	Rochester	03/23/2023	490,000.00
Jeppson, Erik M Jeppson, Jennifer M	Decas Cranberry Co LLC	Marys Pond Rd	Rochester	03/24/2023	12,000.00
Mahotiere, Marvin Joyce, Billiejean	Pina, Ann K Pina, Beatrice C Est Pina, Vincent C Pina, Vincent G Est Pina, Carol L Thomas, Tangi Pina, David A Est Pina, Lauren	1003 Point Rd	Marion	03/24/2023	415,000.00
Herbert, Michael P Jr	Macomber, John H Macomber, Kaila B	466 Rounseville Rd	Rochester	03/24/2023	410,000.00
Oliveira, Kevin L Oliveira, Tristi N	Csongor, Lauren B	76 Front St	Marion	03/24/2023	1,880,000.00
Rocha, Sean M Silva, Shawn F	Farland Estates III LLC	1 Marthas Vineyard Dr	Mattapoisett	03/24/2023	787,000.00
Quick Sale Properties Inc	WPB Partners LLC Lapointe, Gregory M Lapointe, Janelle M Kleiman, Jeffrey D	Marion Rd Pcl B 193 Cushman Rd	Mattapoisett Rochester	03/27/2023 03/27/2023	355,000.00 100.00

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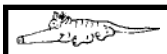
Local Tides

Day	Date	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
Thursday	April 13	2:09	2:44	8:29	8:09
Friday	April 14	3:14	3:49	10:17	9:54
Saturday	April 15	4:23	4:56	11:14	11:19
Sunday	April 16	5:29	5:58	11:57	
Monday	April 17	6:27	6:53	12:18	12:33
Tuesday	April 18	7:19	7:42	1:09	1:08
Wednesday	April 19	8:06	8:29	1:57	1:43
Thursday	April 20	8:52	9:14	2:43	2:20
Friday	April 21	9:38	9:58	3:26	2:59
Saturday	April 22	10:23	10:43	4:04	3:38
Sunday	April 23	11:10	11:29	4:40	4:18
Monday	April 24	11:59		5:16	5
Tuesday	April 25	12:19	12:50	5:57	5:45
Wednesday	April 26	1:10	1:42	6:50	6:38
Thursday	April 27	2:03	2:34	8:15	7:48
Friday	April 28	2:55	3:27	9:42	9:14
Saturday	April 29	3:50	4:24	10:32	10:29
Sunday	April 30	4:47	5:18	11:09	11:22

Phases of the Moon		
	Last Quarter	April 13th
	New Moon	April 20th
	First Quarter	April 27th
	Full Moon	May 5th



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Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on ***I Found the Aardvark***

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PUZZLE ANSWERS

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Enfold 2. Batten; 3. Demand; 4. Appeal

Today's Word

DEFEAT

Sudoku Answer

8	6	7	9	4	1	5	3	2
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3	7	9	1	8	6	2	5	4
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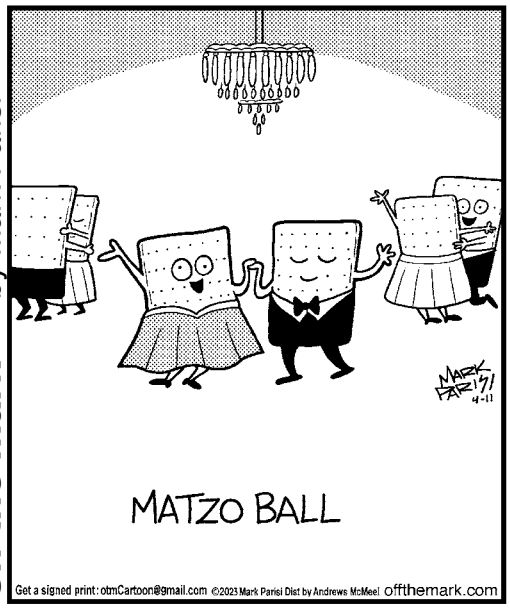

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